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IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 8, 1877.

Organization of School Committee.

The meeting for the organization of the Board of School Committee for the municipal year was held by order of His Honor the Mayor in the School Committee chamber, Mason-street Building, Jan. 8, 1877, at eight o'clock, P. M. Present, the whole Board. Hon. Frederick O. Prince, President of the Board, in the Chair.

Prayer.

At the request of the President, prayer was offered by Rev. Geo. A. Thayer.

Communication from City Clerk; certificate of election of new members.

The Chair read the following communication from the City Clerk: —

CITY OF BOSTON.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, CITY HALL, Dec. 19, 1876.

GEO. A. SMITH, ESQ., *Sec'y School Committee:* —

SIR,— It appears, by the returns of votes cast in the several wards of this city, on the 12th inst., for eight members of the School Committee of this city, to serve for three years from the second Monday of January, 1877, that the following persons, having a plurality of votes, were duly chosen: Charles L. Flint, Ezra Palmer, F. Lyman Winship, George M. Hobbs, William H. Finney, William J. Porter, Henry P. Bowditch, John W. Ryan.

Attest:

S. F. McCLEARY,

City Clerk.

Committee appointed to collect certificates of election. Report.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, a committee of three was appointed to collect the certificates of members elect.

The Chair appointed as that committee Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Hayes and Chapin, who, after attending to their duties, reported the credentials of all the newly elected members to be in due form.

Rules and Regulations adopted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Rules of the School Com-

mittee and Regulations of the Public Schools of the last year were adopted as the Rules and Regulations of the present year until otherwise ordered.

Vice-President chosen.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the Board proceeded to the choice of a Vice-President, and Messrs. Flint, Hobbs and Palmer were appointed to receive, sort and count votes for said officer. They reported the whole number of votes to be 22. Wm. H. Finney had 1; Wm. H. Learnard, Jr., 21, and was accordingly declared elected.

Secretary and Auditing Clerk chosen.

On motion of Mr. James Morse, the Board proceeded to the choice of a Secretary and Auditing Clerk. Messrs. James Morse, Finney and Adams were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes. They reported the whole number of votes to be 24. George A. Smith had 24, and was accordingly declared elected.

Messenger chosen.

On motion of Mr. Adams, the Board proceeded to the choice of a Messenger. Messrs. Adams, Bowditch and Perkins were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count the votes. They reported the whole number of votes to be 24. Alvah H. Peters had 24, and was accordingly declared elected.

His Honor the Mayor appointed the following Standing Committees, also the Normal School, High School and Division Committees, and the same were approved by the Board, viz.: —

Standing Committees.

Standing Committees appointed.

Accounts. — Messrs. Learnard, Hutchins, Finney, Godfrey Morse, Hayes.

Deaf-Mutes. — Messrs. Winship, Learnard, Ryan.

Drawing. — Messrs. Perkins, Thayer, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Flint, James Morse.

Elections. — Messrs. Palmer, Finney, Hobbs.

Evening Schools. — Messrs. Fletcher, Adams, James Morse, Hayes, Porter.

Examinations. — Messrs. Thayer, Hutchins, Flint, Moran, Miss Peabody.

Kindergarten. — Mr. Blake, Miss Peabody, Mr. Bowditch.

Licensed Minors. — Messrs. Thayer, Porter, Chapin.

Military Drill. — Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Fletcher, Hayes.

Music. — Messrs. Perkins, Blake, Winship, Miss May.

Nominations. — Messrs. Finney, Learnard, Plummer, Porter, Palmer.

Rules and Regulations. — Messrs. Finney, Thayer, Miss May, Messrs. James Morse, Palmer.

Salaries. — Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Plummer, Palmer, Chapin, Hayes.

School-houses. — Messrs. Chapin, Plummer, Flint, Moran, Bowditch.

Sewing. — Messrs. Winship, Chapin, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Ryan, Adams.

Truant Officers. — The Mayor, Messrs. Learnard, Fletcher, Ryan, Hobbs.

Text-books. — Messrs. Hutchins, Palmer, Blake, Godfrey Morse, Adams.

Normal School. — Messrs. Hutchins, Learnard, Miss May, Messrs. Moran, Hobbs.

Normal, High School and Division Committees appointed.

High Schools. — Messrs. Flint, Godfrey Morse, Thayer, Miss May, Mr. Bowditch.

First Division. — Messrs. Plummer, Fletcher, Chapin, Porter.

Second Division. — Messrs. Finney, Chapin, Fletcher, Plummer.

Third Division. — Messrs. Perkins, Palmer, Finney, Porter.

Fourth Division. — Mr. Godfrey Morse, Miss May, Messrs. Hutchins, Blake, Palmer.

Fifth Division. — Messrs. Learnard, Flint, Hutchins, Hayes, Godfrey Morse.

Sixth Division. — Messrs. Adams, Thayer, Blake, James Morse, Ryan.

Seventh Division. — Miss Peabody, Messrs. James Morse, Winship, Ryan, Hobbs.

Eighth Division. — Messrs. Winship, Moran, Bowditch.

Ninth Division. — Messrs. Adams, Moran, Bowditch.

Vacancy; convention proposed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Board of Aldermen to inform that body that a vacancy exists in the Board of School Committee, caused by the resignation of John E. Fitzgerald, and proposing that a convention of said Board of Aldermen and School Committee be held at 7.30 o'clock, P. M., on the 23d of January, 1877, in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, for the purpose of filling said vacancy for the remainder of this municipal year, and that public notice thereof be given according to law.

Passed.

Committee appointed to take charge of matters before Legislature.

Mr. Palmer offered the following order: —

Ordered, That a special committee of three be appointed to take charge of all matters relating to the schools of Boston now before the Legislature, or that may come before the Legislature, during the present year.

Passed.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Palmer, Godfrey Morse and Finney as the Legislature committee.

Rules and Regulations of truant officers; amendment proposed.

Mr. Finney offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended so as to provide that it shall be the duty of the truant officers to prevent, as far as possible, the attendance at school of

children residing in localities where scarlet fever and diseases deemed contagious exist.

Read and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Choice of seats.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the members proceeded to select their seats, giving precedence to the ladies.

Miss Peabody, in behalf of the ladies of the committee, returned thanks for the courtesy extended, and announced their selection.

Educational periodicals to be placed on file.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Secretary be instructed to procure, for the use of the members of the School Board, to be placed on file in the President's room, such magazines and educational periodicals of the day as may be selected by the Committee on Text-books.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the order was amended by striking out the words "magazines and."

Passed, as amended.

Adjournment.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Ordered, That, when this Board adjourn, it be to meet on the 23d of January, at $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M., and that the rules be suspended that the above order may pass.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Communication from Supt. of St. Louis schools.

Mr. Learnard read a communication addressed to Mr. Philbrick, from Wm. T. Harris, Superintendent of St. Louis schools, requesting the loan of some of the regular class-work in Drawing of the Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Drawing, with full powers.

Accommodations for Primary Schools, corner Washington street and Codman Park.

Mr. Hobbs, for the Seventh Division Committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish better accommodations for the Primary Schools on the corner of Washington street and Codman park.

Read and referred to the Committee on School Houses, with full powers.

Allston School, new building.

Mr. Winship offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to select a location and erect a building for the use of the Allston School.

Read and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the Board adjourned at nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEORGE A. SMITH,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 23, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President presided.

Present: The whole Board, except the President and Miss May.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher, the reading of the records of the last meeting was dispensed with, the Board approving them as in print.

Vacancy in in School Board; concurrence of Board of Aldermen; convention held.

The Chair read a notification from the Board of Aldermen of their concurrence in the proposition to form a convention on this day, and at this time, with this Board, for the purpose of filling the vacancy in this committee caused by the resignation of John E. Fitzgerald, and the two bodies assembled accordingly, Alderman Clark in the Chair.

Report of Committee on Elections.

Dr. Palmer, from the Committee on Elections, submitted the names of Lucretia P. Hale, Martin Brimmer and William T. Adams, as candidates to fill the vacancy.

The Chair appointed Alderman Wilder and Messrs. Fletcher and Finney a committee to collect, sort and count the ballots.

The convention proceeded to ballot.

The committee reported the whole number of ballots, 33; necessary for a choice under the statute, 19.

The following table shows the results of the several ballots: —

	1st ballot.	2d ballot.	3d ballot.	4th ballot.	5th ballot.	6th ballot.	7th ballot.	8th ballot.	9th ballot.	10th ballot.	11th ballot.
Lucretia P. Hale	11	11	7	6	4	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .
Martin Brimmer	3	1	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .
Wm. T. Adams	13	14	15	15	16	15	15	17	18	18	19
Daniel D. Gilbert	6	7	11	12	13	18	17	15	15	15	13
Wm. B. Merrill	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	. .	1	1	. .	. .	. .

Wm. T. Adams elected.

Wm. T. Adams on the eleventh ballot had 19 votes, and was accordingly declared to be elected a member of the School Committee for the remainder of this municipal year.

The business of the convention having been accomplished, the two Boards separated, and the convention was dissolved.

Report of Committee on Nominations; transfer of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following transfers: —

Delia A. Varney, second assistant in Wells School, to first assistant in Prescott School.

Ella F. Inman, third assistant in Dudley (boys') School, to second assistant in Wells School.

The report was accepted, and the transfers approved.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the following nominations, — on probation: —

Nomination of teachers.

Dudley (Boys') School. — Frances M. Davis, third assistant, to take effect January 22, 1877.

Sherwin School. — Lucy L. Burgess, first assistant, to take effect September 1, 1876.

Wells School. — Emma F. Colomy, third assistant, to take effect December 5, 1876.

The report was accepted.

For confirmation: —

Confirmation of teachers.

Dwight District. — Jennie Eastman, fourth assistant.

Sherwin School. — Lucy L. Burgess, first assistant.

The report was accepted and the nominations confirmed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, submitted the following report: —

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Regulations of Truant Officers.

The Committee on Rules and Regulations have considered the order to amend the Regulations so as to provide that it shall be the duty of the Truant Officers to prevent the attendance at school of children from localities where scarlet fever and other contagious diseases exist; and report thereon as follows: —

The Board of Health of the City of Boston have recently published an order, "that no child from any family, in which a case of this disease has occurred, or shall hereafter occur, shall, without a written permit from this Board, attend any school in this city until the expiration of four weeks from the commencement of the last case in such family. Such length of time shall be certified in writing by a physician, or some responsible member of the family; the certificate to be presented to the teacher of the school before the child is admitted.

C. E. DAVIS, Jr.,
Clerk."

Rules amended.

In consideration of this action, by the Board of Health, the committee recommend the adoption of the accompanying orders: —

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by substituting the following for Sect. 333, Chapter XXII.: —

"The chief Truant Officer shall obtain daily from the office of the Board of Health the reports of all cases of scarlet fever and other diseases dangerous to the public health; and the several Truant Officers shall immediately give notice thereof to the principals of the districts to which they are assigned."

Ordered, That the section now numbered 333 be designated as 334.

Ordered, That Section 199 be amended by adding the following: —

"Nor shall any child, from any family in which scarlet fever or other contagious disease has occurred, be allowed to attend any school in the city, until the expiration of four weeks from the commencement of the last case in such family; such length of time being certified in writing to the teacher by a physician, or some responsible member of the family."

Accepted, and the orders were passed.

Regulations of special schools.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, submitted regulations for Schools for Deaf-Mutes, Kindergarten Schools, and Schools for Licensed Minors, the same to be inserted in the Rules and Regulations.

The regulations were adopted.

Report of Committee on Text-books; reference and text-books in High, Grammar and Primary Schools.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Text-books, submitted a list of text-books and reference books as authorized for the Primary, Grammar and High Schools, the same to be printed in connection with the Rules and Regulations.

The list was adopted.

Resignation of a teacher.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Normal School, reported the resignation of Ellen M. Barbour, fourth assistant in Rice Training School, the same to take effect February 1st, 1877.

Accepted.

Temporary teacher.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, reported the appointment of Mattie H. Jackson as temporary teacher in Rice Training School.

Accepted, and the appointment approved.

On motion of Mr. Perkins, it was

Paper prepared by Dr. D. F. Lincoln to be

Voted, That the paper on the Sanitary Requirements of School Architecture, prepared by Dr. D. F. Lincoln, for the

Social Science Association, be included in the forthcoming volume of the Annual Report. included in Annual Report.

The Chair then read the following communication: — Resignation of John B. Moran, on Committees of Eighth and Ninth Divisions.

To the President of the School Board: —

DEAR SIR, — I wish to be excused from serving on the Committees of the Eight and Ninth Divisions.

JOHN B. MORAN.

Jan. 23, 1877.

The request was granted, and the Chair nominated Mr. Wm. T. Adams to fill the vacancies. The nomination was confirmed. Wm. T. Adams appointed on committees.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following report: — Report of Committee on Accounts; Kiepert's wall-maps.

The Committee on Accounts report in regard to the request of the Committee on High Schools, that it will cost about sixty dollars to furnish a set of Kiepert's wall-maps to the Girls' High and Brighton High Schools; and they move the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts provide a set of Kiepert's wall-maps of Ancient Geography for the Girls' High and Brighton High Schools.

Accepted, and the order was passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was Rules and Regulations; chapters and sections changed numerically.

Voted, That the chapters and sections of the Rules and Regulations be changed, numerically, in accordance with the amendments adopted at this meeting.

Mr. Winship offered the following order: — Rules and Regulations; amended.

Ordered, That section 66 of the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows: By inserting after the word "recorded" in the eighth line on page 18, "provided that meetings of committees at which all the members thereof shall be present may be called without notice."

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Salary of teachers holding provisory certificates.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following order: —

Ordered, That teachers holding provisory certificates, and at present in the service of the city, be continued at the regular salary for the first year of service, until they shall receive full certificates, provided such certificates be received on or before June 1st, 1877.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Diplomas for High Schools to be revised.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts, in conjunction with the Committee on High Schools, be authorized to revise the Diplomas for High Schools, in order to secure uniformity in the same.

Passed.

Rules and Regulations; amendment proposed. Assistants in schools of from 300 to 350 pupils.

Mr. Adams offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the schedule in sect. 226, paragraph 6 of the Rules and Regulations, be so amended, as to allow one first assistant, and one second assistant, in all schools containing from 300 to 350 pupils.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Rules and Regulations; amendment proposed; transfers of teachers to be referred to Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Palmer offered the following order: —

Ordered. That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of amending the Rules, so as to provide that all cases of transfer of teachers shall, before action by the Board upon them, be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Special Committee to consider Rules and Regulations of Superintendent and Supervisors.

Mr. Flint offered the following order: —

Ordered, That a special committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider and report what changes may be necessary in the Rules and Regulations in relation to the duties of the Superintendent and the Board of Supervisors.

Passed.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Finney, Flint, Thayer and Miss Peabody. Special Committee appointed.

Mr. Bowditch offered a petition from residents of Ward 23, asking for additional Primary School accommodations by the establishment of a Primary School in Anawan Hall, West Roxbury. Petition for Primary accommodations in Ward 23.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Fletcher offered the following order: — Wall-maps for Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the Secretary be instructed to collect unused wall-maps from the Grammar Schools, the same to be used in the Evening Schools, as required.

Passed.

The Chair read the following communication: — Resignation of F. Lyman Winship as chairman of Committee on Deaf-Mutes.

To the Board of School Committee:—

I herewith beg to be excused from serving as Chairman of the Committee on Deaf-Mutes.

F. LYMAN WINSHIP.

Jan. 23d.

The request was granted, and the Chair nominated Mr. Palmer to fill the vacancy. The nomination was confirmed. Ezra Palmer appointed chairman of Committee on Deaf-Mutes.

The Chair read the following communication: —

BOSTON, Jan. 23, 1877. Communication from past pupils of Brimmer School.

To the members of the School Committee of the City of Boston: —

The past pupils of the Brimmer School, at a meeting held in June last, to take action in regard to the resignation of their honored master, Mr. Joshua Bates, appointed a committee to procure a suitable testimonial of their appreciation of his past services, and we, as their representatives, hereby present to the City of Boston, through your honorable Board, a portrait of Mr. Bates, to be placed in the hall of the Brimmer School, subject to such conditions as may be mutually agreed upon.

(Signed)

A. OTIS EVANS,
WM. P. JONES,
VINCENT Y. BOWDITCH,
SAM'L H. WISE.
JOHN W. CUMINGS,
WASHINGTON L. PRESCOTT.

Copies of School Manual.

Referred to Committee on Fourth Division.

On motion of Mr. Moran, it was voted to print three thousand copies of the Manual of the Public Schools for the present year.

Unfinished business referred to committees.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Ordered, That all unfinished business of the last Board be taken from the files and referred to the several committees having charge of the different subjects.

Passed.

Corporal punishment in Eighth Division.

Mr. Winship, for the Eighth Division Committee, read an article which has been circulated in the daily papers, concerning corporal punishment in a school in his division, and stated that he has made careful inquiry of the parents and parties interested, and found the entire report to be false.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the Board adjourned at twenty minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEORGE A. SMITH,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Feb. 13, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The President presided.

Present, the whole Board except Messrs. Hayes and Winship.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was dispensed with, the Board approving them as in print.

Wm. T. Adams; credentials of.

Mr. Palmer, from the Committee on Elections, presented the credentials of Mr. Wm. T. Adams as member of the School Board for the remainder of the year 1877.

Read, and placed on file.

Report of Com. on Nominations; nomination of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations, on probation: —

Comins School. — Anna McDonald, third assistant, to take effect February 5, 1877.

Eliot School. — F. H. Ripley, usher, to take effect February 5, 1877.

Emerson School. — Sarah A. Bond, third assistant, to take effect February 5, 1877. Carrie Ford, third assistant, to take effect September 4, 1876.

Everett School. — Sarah L. Adams, third assistant, to take effect February 5, 1877.

Exeter-street School. — Ella F. White, third assistant, to take effect December 4, 1876.

The report was accepted.

Confirmation of teachers.

For confirmation: —

Dearborn School. — Helen F. Brigham, second assistant.

Everett School. — Emily F. Marshall, fourth assistant.

The report was accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Report of Com. on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, submitted the following report: —

The Committee on Nominations have considered the recommendations for nomination on probation, for third assistants in the Chapman, Lewis, and Boys' Dudley schools, and respectfully report that the number of pupils in each of these schools does not warrant the nomination of an additional teacher under the rules of the Board.

The report was accepted.

Report of Com. on Third Division; petition of George B. Watson.

Mr. Perkins, from the Third Division Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Mr. Geo. B. Watson, in regard to retaining the name of Mayhew in connection with the Phillips School, reported: —

That while they sympathize with the feelings which prompted the petition, they deem the change to be inexpedient.

The report was accepted.

Report of Com. on Third Division; petition in regard to Miss E. N. Smith.

Mr. Perkins, from the same committee, to whom was referred the petition in regard to the reinstating of Elizabeth N. Smith, as a teacher in the public schools, reported: —

That in consideration of the fact that the name of Elizabeth N. Smith appears on the list of dropped teachers, recommended by the Division Committees, further action in the matter is deemed unnecessary.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Perkins, from the same committee, reported the following as temporary teachers: —

Temporary teachers.

Eliot School. — H. F. O'Dowd, in the Grammar School. Term of service dates from February 5, 1877.

Wells School. — Lizzie F. Stevens, in the Grammar School. Term of service dates from February 5, 1877.

Accepted, and the appointments approved.

Annual School Report; copies of.

Mr. Perkins, from the Committee on the Annual School Report, submitted the following: —

Ordered, That five thousand copies of the Report of the Committee on the Annual School Report be printed.

Ordered, That twenty-five hundred copies of the Annual School Report be printed in the usual manner.

Passed.

Musical Exhibition.

Mr. Perkins, from the Committee on Music, submitted the following: —

Ordered, That a Musical Exhibition of the public schools be held in Boston, early in the month of June next, under the direction of the Committee on Music.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; transfer of teachers.

Mr. Finney, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the order of Jan. 23d, directing them to consider the expediency of amending the rules in relation to the transfer of teachers, reported that in their opinion such amendment is expedient, and offered the following order: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 70 of the Rules be amended by striking out all after the word "necessary," and substituting therefor "all propositions for transfer of teachers from one district to another, or from one grade to another, shall be submitted to the Board through the Committee on Nominations."

The report was accepted and the order passed.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; examination by Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Finney, from the same committee who were instructed, under the order of Oct. 10th, 1876, "to consider the expediency of amending Sect. 87 of the Rules and Regulations, so as to remove ambiguity concerning the nature of the examination by the Board of Supervisors therein provided for," reported that they deemed it expedient to amend the section by providing that the method and nature of the examination shall be approved

by the Committee on Examinations, and submitted the following order: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 87 be amended by inserting in the last line but two, after the word "Supervisors," the words "in such manner as the Committee on Examinations may approve."

The report was accepted and the order passed.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; clerical assistanee for Supt.

Mr. Finney, from the same committee to whom was referred the communication of the Superintendent, presented Sept. 26th, 1876, in relation to clerical work in his office, reported that, in the judgment of the committee, such assistance as is necessary is available in the office of the Secretary, and submit the following: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 96 of the Regulations be amended by adding the following clause: "and he shall furnish such clerical assistance to the Superintendent as may be required by him in the performance of his duties."

Ordered, That Section 123 of the Regulations be stricken out.

The report was accepted and the orders passed.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; Medical Inspector of schools.

Mr. Finney, from the same committee to whom was referred, from the files of last year, an order concerning "the advisability of creating the office of Medical Inspector of Schools" presented the following report: —

The subject has received careful attention both from the committee of last year and the present committee. Two lengthened hearings were given to the member of the Board who introduced the order, and to persons summoned by him, several of whom were medical experts; and the committee have been newly impressed with the need of great vigilance in all matters affecting the sanitary condition of our schools. The health of hundreds of teachers and thousands of children is of untold importance, not only

to themselves, but to the community at large; and as members of the School Committee we are bound to be its conservators. No question of merely intellectual advancement, however important, ought for a moment to blind us to the physical needs of those under our charge. But believing this fully, as they do, the committee cannot recommend the creation of a new office at this time.

The School Committee has shown its appreciation of the importance of the physical welfare of the schools by numerous provisions in the regulations. Some of these provisions are that the Superintendent "shall suggest such plans as he may consider best for the health and convenience of the teachers and pupils;" that the Supervisors shall inquire into the working of the heating and ventilating apparatus and into all matters pertaining to the welfare of the schools and classes and the moral, mental and physical condition of the scholars; that teachers shall give particular attention to the physical culture of the pupils; that regular instruction in physical exercise shall be given; that the truant officers shall obtain from the Board of Health the reports of all cases of contagious diseases and give notice thereof to the principals of the schools; and that children from localities where contagious diseases exist shall be excluded from school.

How far these provisions are effectual for the purposes for which they were intended, depends upon the thoroughness with which the regulations are enforced. There is an officer of the School Committee whose duty it is "to see that the rules are carried into full effect." If a Medical Inspector were appointed he could not be clothed with any more power in this direction; and to appoint two officers to perform the same work, independently of each other, might cause trouble, and defeat the objects for which the officers were appointed.

The Superintendent has always had an oversight of the sanitary conditions of the schools, and has, from time to time, in his reports, called the attention of the School Committee to the subject. The results of the work of the Supervisors have not yet been printed, but it seems sure that improved health-conditions will follow in due time. The teachers should be frequently reminded of the regulations, and of the fact that the care of their pupils' health is as much a part of their duty as the conduct of lessons or the enforcement of order. It may, however, be found that, with all the appliances now provided, more must be done before the proper conditions for health will be gained, and it may prove to be needful in the future to have a special inspector, who shall be a medical expert. For the present it is recommended that a Special Committee be appointed to confer with the City Board of Health, with a view to establishing, if possible, such relations with them as will secure their co-operation in all matters affecting the health of our schools.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the report was laid on the table.

Rules and Regulations; copies of.

Mr. Finney, from the same committee, presented the following order: —

Ordered, That a sufficient number of copies of the Rules of the School Committee and Regulations of the Public Schools be printed for the use of the Board and of the schools.

Passed.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following order: —

Courses of study.

Ordered, That the course of study in the several grades of schools be printed with the Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the order was laid upon the table, 14 to 7.

Annual School Festival; committee appointed.

Mr. Warren P. Adams offered the following order: —

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to make arrangements for and to take charge of the Annual School Festival.

Mr. Palmer moved to lay the order upon the table.

Lost, 9 to 10.

The order was then adopted.

The Chair appointed the following committee: Messrs. W. P. Adams, Thayer, Blake, Chapin, and Wm. T. Adams.

Report of Com. on Fourth Division; communication of A. Otis Evans and others; portrait of Joshua Bates.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, from the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported in relation to the communication of A. Otis Evans, and others: that the committee considered the same, and advise that the gift of a portrait of Mr. Joshua Bates, late master of the Brimmer School, be accepted, upon condition that said portrait shall remain in the Brimmer School, so long as there shall be a Brimmer School; and if there shall not be a Brimmer School, then it shall go to a Bates School, if any; and if there is no Bates School, it is to belong to Mr. Bates or his heirs.

The report was accepted.

Latin School; Foster's Physiology.

Mr. Flint, from the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the use of Foster's Physiology, one of the series of Science Primers, be authorized in the Latin School during the present school year, and without expense to the city.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Sarah A. Benton; leave of absence.

Mr. Chapin, from the Second Division Committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to Sarah A. Benton, third assistant in the Harvard School, until April 1st, on account of sickness.

Passed.

Report of Com. on Industrial Schools.

Miss May moved to take from the files the report on Industrial Schools.

Passed.

Miss May moved to refer the report to a Special Committee.

Passed.

Special Committee on Report on Industrial Schools.

The Chair appointed Miss May, Messrs. Learnard and Palmer as the committee. Mr. Learnard asked to be excused, and the Board so voting, the Chair appointed Mr. Finney.

Lucy J. Lothrop; leave of absence.

Mr. Plummer, from the First Division Committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Lucy J. Lothrop, fourth assistant in the Lyman District, have leave of absence for the remainder of the school year.

Passed.

Ruth H. Brady; leave of absence.

Miss Peabody, from the Seventh Division Committee offered the following order : —

Ordered, That Ruth H. Brady, third assistant of the Dudley (Boys') School, have leave of absence till April, on account of sickness.

Passed.

Carrie Ford; maximum salary.

Mr. Fletcher offered the following order : —

Ordered, That Carrie Ford, third assistant in the Emerson School, be paid the maximum salary from the date of her appointment.

Referred to Committee on Salaries.

Groton-street Primary School; enlargement of lot.

Mr. Learnard, from the Fifth Division Committee, offered the following order : —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the yard of the Groton-street Primary School, by an addition to it from the rear portion of the old Franklin-School lot.

Referred to Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, from the Committee on the Fourth Division, offered the following order: — Brimmer School; Rules and Regulations suspended.

Ordered, That Sect. 169 of the Rules and Regulations, so far as the Brimmer School is concerned, be suspended.

Passed.

Mr. William T. Adams, from the Special Committee appointed to consider what legislation is necessary to amend the rules defining the duties of the Superintendent and Supervisors, submitted a unanimous report, to the effect that the duties of each were clearly defined, and that no further legislation is necessary. Report of Special Committee on Rules and Regulations of Superintendent and Supervisors.

Accompanying the report was the following order: — Special Committee on plan of work of Supt. and Sup'rs.

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed to inquire and report whether or not the "plan of work" of the Superintendent, the Supervisors, and the Board of Supervisors is in accordance with the regulations of the School Committee.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

The Chair appointed the same committee: Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Wm. H. Finney, Chas. L. Flint, Geo. A. Thayer, and Miss Peabody. Committee appointed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was voted to print 400 copies of the report of the Special Committee.

The Chair read the following appointments, which were approved: — Vacancies in Committees filled.

To fill vacancies, — in the First Division, Wm. H. Finney; Second Division, C. C. Perkins; Third Division, Wm. T. Adams, and in the Committee on Music, Wm. T. Adams.

The Chair read the following resignations, which were accepted: — Resignations on Committees.

Charles Hutchins, from the Committee on the Fourth Division, and J. J. Hayes, from the Committee on Accounts.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Chair appointed J. J. Hayes to the vacancy in the Fourth Division, and Warren P. Adams to the vacancy in the Committee on Accounts.

The nominations were approved.

Petition from citizens at Egleston sq.

Mr. Hobbs presented the following petition : —

Boston, Feb. 4, 1877.

To the Honorable Board of School Committee of the City of Boston : —

Gentlemen, — The undersigned, citizens at Egleston square, respectfully pray that immediate action may be taken by your Honorable Board to provide suitable Primary-School facilities for our children.

(Signed,) H. H. BARRETT,
JOHN A. STOCKMAN,
W. CABLE,
and 83 others.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at twenty-five minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEORGE A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, February 27, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Present: The whole Board, except the President and Messrs. Blake, Hayes and Ryan.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Minutes amended.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the minutes of February 13th were amended by substituting the word "presented" for the word "printed," in the fifth line from the top of page 22.

Resignation of Addie M. Ward.

Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, reported the resignation of Addie M. Ward, fourth assistant in Comins District, the same to take effect February 10, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of E. F. Colomy.

Mr. Perkins, for the Third Division Committee, reported the resignation of E. F. Colomy, third assistant in Wells School, the same to take effect February 4, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Nominations; transfer of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following transfers of teachers: —

Susan R. Gifford, from fourth assistant in Lewis District, to third assistant in Wells School, February 5, 1877.

Elizabeth P. Brewer, from fourth assistant in Allston District, to fourth assistant in Comins District, February 10, 1877.

Accepted, and the transfers approved.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nomination of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the following nominations, on probation; to date from February 5, 1877: —

Chapman School. — Susan E. Geyer, third assistant.

Wells District. — Emma F. Colomy, fourth assistant.

Lewis School. — Anna S. Osgood, third assistant.

Lewis District. — Mary E. Deane, fourth assistant.

Dudley (Boys') School. — Emmeline E. Torrey, third assistant.

Accepted.

For confirmation: —

Confirmation of teachers.

Charlestown High School. — H. W. Warren, usher, to date from Jan. 23, 1877. Adelaide E. Somes, third assistant, Dec. 1, 1876. Mary A. Wilcox, fourth assistant, Dec. 18, 1876. Emma S. Gale, fourth assistant, Dec. 11, 1876. Sarah Shaw, fourth assistant, Dec. 11, 1876.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Andrew School; nomination on probation.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported that, having considered the recommendation for nomination, on probation, of an additional third assistant in the Andrew School, the committee find that the number of pupils does not warrant the nomination.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

Roxbury High School; temporary teacher.

Voted, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to employ a temporary teacher, of the grade of fourth assistant, in the Roxbury High School; the compensation to be deducted from the salary of M. L. Tinker.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order: —

Roxbury High School; Hitchcock's Book-keeping.

Ordered, That Hitchcock's Book-keeping be authorized as a text-book for the present school-year in the Roxbury High School.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, submitted the following uniform course of study for three years, for the High Schools. Uniform course of study for High schools.

	ENGLISH AND HISTORY.	LANGUAGES.	MATHEMATICS.	SCIENCES.	ELECTIVES.
First Year.	Five hours till March 1. Three hours after March 1. English. (1) Brief accounts of certain authors, with the study of some of their best works. (2) Reading aloud, reciting or speaking selections in prose and poetry from the authors. (3) Elementary exercises in writing English, including practical applications of Grammar. Ancient History. (See note *b*.)	Five hours till March 1. Three hours after Mar. 1. Latin or French, or German. (See note *c*.)	Five hours. Arithmetic, including practical instruction in the Metric System, and an introduction to Geometry (one hour). Algebra (four hours).	Four hours after Mar. 1. Botany.	
Second Year.	Four hours. English. (1) Brief accounts of authors, etc., as first year. (2) Reading aloud, etc., as first year. (3) Principles of Rhetoric and their application to writing English, with exercises to increase the vocabulary. Mediæval History. Modern History begun.	Three hours. The same language, continued.	Five hours. Algebra finished. Plane Geometry and Plane Trigonometry. Book-keeping.	Three hours. Physics.	Botany continued instead of Book-keeping. (See note *e*.)
Third Year.	Five hours. English. (1) Selections from Milton and Shakespeare studied critically. (2) Reading aloud, etc., as before. (3) Writing Essays. Modern History. Civil Government.	Four hours. The same language, continued (one hour). Latin, French or German begun (three hours). (See note *c*.)	Two hours. Solid Geometry. Arithmetic reviewed, considered as a science.	Five hours Physics (two hours). Chemistry (two hours. (See note *d*.) Descriptive Astronomy (one hour).	Zoölogy (including Human Anatomy and Physiology) instead of Mathematics. (See note *e*.)

NOTE *a*.—Five sessions a week, divided into twenty-five hours of working time, such "hours" being about fifty minutes long, to allow time for recesses.
Five hours a week (one daily) reserved for study, in first and second years; four hours reserved in the third year.
One hour a week given to music.
Two hours a week given to drawing.
Two hours a week given to military drill (boys)—calisthenics (girls).
Fifteen hours a week given to recitations in first and second years; sixteen hours in third year.

NOTE *b*. — In the opinion of the Supervisors, a course of History, for the High Schools, should be philosophically arranged, though it must necessarily be brief. It should trace the successive steps in the development of nations, with their progress in civilization, and should associate the geography of a country with its history.

This plan, however, does not preclude the proper recognition of the relation between the history and literature of a period, as pupils pursue their study of *English*. By their previous course in the history of England and of the United States, in the Grammar Schools, they should be prepared to perceive and to follow out this important connection.

NOTE *c*. — The choice of a language must be subject to the approbation of the Principal.

NOTE *d*. — One study hour will be used in the Chemical Laboratory.

NOTE *e*. — Wherever a choice of studies is offered, a pupil cannot take the elective without the approbation of the Principal.

All boys who intend to take a fourth year's course in the English High School will be required to take the full mathematical course.

ALL members of the English High School may be required to take Solid Geometry and Book-keeping.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on School-houses; Allston School, new building.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred the order of January 8, concerning a new building for the Allston School, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Petition from citizens of Egleston square.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred a petition from citizens of Egleston square for suitable Primary accommodations (Feb. 13), reported that the petition ought to be granted, and recommended the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable Primary-School accommodations at Egleston square.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

Petition for Primary accommodations, West Roxbury.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of West Roxbury for additional Primary-School accommodations in Anawan Hall (Jan 23), reported that, in the opinion of the committee, such accommodations are not sufficiently needed to warrant the establishment of a school, and they recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

Groton-street Primary School; enlargement of lot.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order (Feb. 13), for the enlargement of the yard of the Groton-street School, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Rice Training School, offered the following order: —

Leave of absence to Lucius A. Wheelock.

Ordered, That leave of absence granted to Lucius A. Wheelock, master of the Rice School, be extended to the close of the present school-year.

Passed.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams, from the Ninth Division Committee, submitted the following: —

Dor.-Everett School-house; windows to be lowered.

Whereas, In the construction of the new Grammar School-house, in the Dorchester-Everett District, the ten windows of the two school-rooms in the upper story are placed five feet above the floor, so that they will be above the heads of the scholars occupying these rooms; and

Whereas, Any theory relating to the admission of light, which is correct in its application to thirty-two windows placed three feet from the floor in eight school-rooms, cannot be correct in its application to ten windows placed five feet from the floor in two school-rooms, all in the same school-house; and

Whereas, The Committee of the Ninth Division has appeared, by its chairman, before the Committee of Public Buildings of the City Council, requesting that these windows be lowered to the height of the windows in the other school-rooms of the building, and the request was indefinitely postponed; therefore,

Ordered, That the City Council be respectfully requested to cause the windows of the two school-rooms described in the preamble of this order to be lowered to the height of the windows in the other school-rooms of the same building.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Miss May submitted the following: —

Report of Committee on Industrial Schools Report.

"The committee to whom was referred the report of last year upon Industrial Schools, having attended to their duty, report that, in their judgment, the recommendation in regard to Vacation schools is both judicious and timely.

"The argument in favor of such schools seems thoroughly sound and sufficient, though it is not given in detail, nor with the strength that would be fully justified by the need of them.

"They report that the subjoined order referred to them ought to pass; and they ask for further time to consider other questions covered by the printed report."

Summer vacation schools.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide means for establishing two Vacation schools, one for boys and one for girls, for 1877.

In the judgment of the committee the sum of two thousand dollars would fully meet the cost and provide for two hundred children during the summer vacation.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the order was amended by inserting the word "summer" before the word "vacation."

The report was accepted, and the amended order passed.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was

Courses of study.

Voted, That 1,000 copies of the course of study in the several grades of schools be printed in pamphlets.

Petition from East Boston Cit. Trade Ass'n; High School in East Boston.

Mr. Fletcher read a petition from a committee appointed by the East Boston Citizens' Trade Association, asking for the establishment of a High School in East Boston.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Mr. Winship offered the following orders:—

Certificate of service to Adelaide Williams.

Ordered, That the Supervisors be requested to grant a certificate of service of the fifth grade to Adelaide Williams, dating from February 13, 1877.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Ordered, That the Bennett School be provided with the requisite philosophical apparatus. Bennett School; philosophical apparatus.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to have the yard of the Bennett School paved, or otherwise put in good condition. Bennett School yard.

Passed.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported the resignation of Margaret E. Reid, sewing teacher in the Gaston School, to take effect Feb. 1, 1877. Resignation of Margaret E. Reid, sewing teacher.

Accepted.

Mr. Winship, for the same committee, reported the name of Mary E. Patterson, for appointment as sewing teacher, in the Gaston School, to date from Feb. 1, 1877. Mary E. Patterson appointed sewing teacher.

Accepted, and the appointment confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on the request of the Superintendent for clerical assistance, was reconsidered, and, on motion of Mr. Wm. T. Adams, was recommitted to that committee. Reconsideration; report of Com. on Rules and Regulations, on clerical assistance for Superintendent.

The Chair read a petition from residents of Brighton avenue and vicinity, asking for the establishment of school accommodations in that locality. School accommodations near Brighton ave.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts, to ascertain the expense attendant upon the sending to Brookline schools of such pupils as are in their vicinity.

The Chair read a petition from residents of the neighborhood, asking for the erection of a Primary school at the corner of Blue Hill avenue and Waverley street, or in that vicinity. New Primary school near Blue Hill ave. and Waverley street.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Rules and Regulations; amendments proposed.

Ordered, That Section 205 of the Regulations be amended by striking out the word "Wednesday" in the second line of that section, and the words "and" and "afternoon" in the third line of the same section.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Annie L. Jenkins; leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. William T. Adams, leave of absence until the first of May was granted to Annie L. Jenkins, third assistant in the Mather School.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams offered the following order: —

Rules and Regulations; temporary teachers; amendment proposed.

Ordered, That Chapter XIV. of the Rules and Regulations be amended by the addition of a new section, as follows: —

"SECT. ( ) Committees in charge may appoint temporary teachers for a term not exceeding three weeks, when the emergencies of the schools under their care require; but such appointment shall be reported to the Board at the meeting next following the action.

"When temporary teachers for any longer term may be needed, the candidates for such employment shall be recommended to the Committee on Nominations, as provided for regular teachers."

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Effie G. Hazen; leave of absence.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, leave of absence until April 15th was granted to Effie G. Hazen, fourth assistant in the Bunker Hill District.

Mr. Plummer offered the following order: —

Susan A. Slavin; temporary teacher.

Ordered, That Susan A. Slavin be employed as temporary teacher in the Emerson District, to date from February 19, 1877.

Read, and referred to Committee on Nominations.

On motion of Miss Peabody, leave of absence for the remainder of the school-year was granted to Elizabeth E. Backup, fourth assistant in the Dearborn District. Elizabeth E. Backup; leave of absence.

Mr. Hobbs offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to report an amendment to the Regulations providing that a special committee of five shall be appointed at the first meeting in April in each year to make arrangements for the Annual Festival. Rules and Regulations; Committee on Annual Festival; amendment proposed.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Perkins, it was

Voted, That the Committee on Drawing be authorized to print the results of the examination in Drawing for teachers' diplomas, held February, 1877. Results of Drawing examination.

On motion of Mr. Perkins, it was

Voted, To include in the Annual School Report the ground plan and elevation of the Frothingham Schoolhouse. Annual School Report; plan of Frothingham School.

Mr. Chapin offered the following order: —

Ordered, That so much of the Superintendent's last report as is entitled "The New Departure," from the middle of page 104 to the bottom of page 110, be omitted in the bound volume of the Annual Report of the School Committee. Annual School Report; Supt's Report.

Read, and, after some discussion, specially assigned for consideration at eight o'clock, on the evening of the next regular meeting of the Board.

Mr. Chapin offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to prepare a report of their work until January 1st, 1877, and that said report be included in the bound volume of the Annual Report of the School Committee. Annual School Report; report of work of Supervisors.

Mr. Thayer moved to refer to a special committee.

Pending the consideration of the same, on motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at fifteen minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, March 13, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Present: The whole Board, except the President and Messrs. Winship and Hayes.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Annual School Report; report of work of Supervisors.

The Chair stated that the business before the meeting was the motion of Mr. Thayer — which was pending when the Board adjourned — to refer to a special committee the order that the Board of Supervisors be requested to prepare a report of their work up to Jan. 1st, 1877, the same to be included in the bound volume of the Annual Report.

Mr. Thayer, no objection being made, withdrew his motion.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, the consideration of the order was indefinitely postponed.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Andrew School. — Esther F. Nichols, third assistant. Dec. 4, 1876.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Lyman School. — Eliza F. Russsell, first assistant.

Dwight School. — Nellie L. Shaw, third assistant.

Franklin District. — Affie T. Wier, fourth assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Emerson District. — Susan A. Slavin, fourth assistant. Feb. 19, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; musical exhibition.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the order for holding a musical festival of the Public Schools in the month of June next, reported that in the judgment of the committee the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Bennett School; philosophical apparatus.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the order to provide the Bennett School with the requisite philosophical apparatus, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Examinations; certificate of service to Adelaide C. Williams.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Examinations, to whom was referred an order requesting the Board of Supervisors to grant a certificate of service of the fifth grade to Adelaide C. Williams, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to grant a provisory certificate of the fifth grade to Adelaide C. Williams.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Special Committee on "Plan of Work of Superintendent and Supervisors."

Mr. William T. Adams, for the Special Committee appointed to consider what changes may be necessary in the Rules and Regulations in relation to the duties of the Superintendent and the Board of Supervisors, submitted a unanimous report, which was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. Flint, ordered to be printed.

Special assignments.

Mr. Chapin, no objection being made, withdrew the order concerning the omission of the "New Departure" from

the Annual Report, which was specially assigned for consideration at eight o'clock.

Requests to be excused from serving on standing committees were received as follows: —

Resignations on committees.

Mr. Thayer, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, from the Committee on Text-Books.

Mr. William T. Adams, from the Committee on Music.

Granted.

The Chair made the following appointments to fill said vacancies: —

Vacancies in committees filled.

Mr. William T. Adams, on the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Thayer, on the Committee on Text-Books.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, on the Committee on Music.

The appointments were confirmed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Medical Inspector; special assignment.

On motion of Mr. Blake the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on the subject of a Medical Inspector, was taken from the table and specially assigned for consideration at eight o'clock of the evening of the next regular meeting.

Certificate of service to Mary A. Lowe.

Mr. William T. Adams offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to grant a certificate of service to Mary A. Lowe, in consideration of her three years' service in the schools of this city.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Warren P. Adams offered the following order: —

Andrew District; additional accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional school accommodations in the Andrew District.

Read and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Leave of absence to Isabella M. Kelren.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, leave of absence for the remainder of the school year was granted to Isabella M. Kelren, fourth assistant in the Lawrence District.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following order: —

Exhibition of Evening Drawing School work.

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing be authorized to hold an exhibition of the work done in the City Free Evening Drawing Schools, during the second week in April, at the rooms of the Boston Art Club.

Passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Election of head-masters and masters of High Schools; amendment proposed.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider the expediency of amending the rules so as to provide that the election of head-masters of the High Schools shall occur triennially instead of annually, as now provided by the rules.

On motion of Mr. William T. Adams, the order was amended by inserting the words "and masters of the Grammar Schools" between the words "head-masters" and "of."

The order, as amended, passed.

Holiday for schools.

On motion of Dr. Palmer, it was

Voted, That Saturday, March 31st, 1877, be a holiday for the Public Schools of the city.

Leave of absence to Marietta Rice.

On motion of Miss Peabody, leave of absence until May 1st was granted to Marietta Rice, third assistant in the Boys' Dudley School.

Substitutes.

Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, reported the names of Rebecca Coulter and Mary E. Watson as substitutes, for longer than one month, in the Boys' Dudley School.

Approved.

Miss May offered the following order: —

Record of unfinished business.

Ordered, That the Secretary be requested to procure a book in which shall be recorded all matters laid upon the table and all unfinished business. The books shall be kept fully posted for the use of members of the committee.

Passed.

Miss May offered the following order: —

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the subject of corporal punishment in our schools, and if deemed expedient to report a plan by which it shall be gradually, but in time, entirely abolished. Special Committee on corporal punishment.

Passed.

The Chair appointed Miss May and Messrs. Hutchins and Warren P. Adams on said committee.

Miss Peabody moved that the Saturday session of the Public Schools on March 17th be suspended. School session; suspension of.

Lost.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, reported as follows: —

"The Committee on School Houses respectfully recommend, for the approval of the Board, the location of and plans for the new building for the Andrew School, corner of Dorchester and Rogers streets, South Boston; the same having been approved by the Superintendent of Schools." Report of Committee on School Houses; plans, etc., of Andrew School.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, a recess of fifteen minutes was granted for the examination of the plans. Recess.

The Board being called to order, the Chair read the letter from the Superintendent approving the plans.

The report was accepted and the plans and location approved.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the Board adjourned at five minutes before nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

In School Committee, March 27, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except Mr. Ryan.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Latin School. — John F. Tufts, sub-master, to take effect March 5, 1877; and Leroy F. Grffiin, usher, to take effect Sept. 20, 1876.

Accepted.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Andrew School. — Frances M. Bell, third assistant, to take effect March 13, 1877.

Lincoln School. — Annie C. Littlefield, third assistant, to take effect March 13, 1877.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Temporary teacher.

Brimmer School. — Mary E. Conley, third assistant, to take effect Feb. 10, 1877.

Emma F. Colomy; nomination of.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, moved a reconsideration of the vote passed Feb. 28, 1877, whereby

Emma F. Colomy was elected fourth assistant in the Wells District.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Finney moved that the nomination be recommitted to the Committee on Nominations.

Passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the order for the appointment of a Committee on the Annual Festival (Feb. 28), reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Committee on Annual Festival; rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 204, Chap. XIV., be amended by striking out all after the fourth line in said section, and adding the following: "The Annual Festival, complimentary to the medal and diploma scholars, shall be held at such time and place as the Board shall determine, under the direction of a committee of five members of the Board, to be appointed at the first meeting in April."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Appointment of temporary teachers; rules amended.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order in relation to the appointment of temporary teachers (Feb. 28), reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That Section 187 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by adding the following : " Temporary teachers may be appointed by committees in charge for a term not exceeding three months, upon the approval of the Committee on Nominations ; such appointments to be reported to the Board at the meeting next following."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Sessions of the schools; rules amended.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order to amend Section 205 of the Regulations (Minutes, page 34), requiring two sessions on Wednesdays and none Saturdays, reported that they have carefully considered the same, and that the order ought to pass.

On motion of Mr. Finney the order was amended by adding, "to take effect the first Monday in September next."

Accepted, and the order, as amended, passed.

Election of head-masters of High, and masters of Grammar Schools.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, who were "requested to consider the expediency of amending the Rules so as to provide that the election of head-masters of the High Schools and masters of the Grammar Schools shall occur triennially instead of annually" (March 13), reported that they have considered the subject and that in their opinion such amendment is inexpedient.

Accepted.

Request for further time.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, submitted a request that further time be allowed for the consideration of the order to amend Sect. 226 of the Rules and Regulations, and the matter of clerical assistance for the Superintendent.

The request was granted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; petition from residents of Brighton avenue and vicinity.

Mr. Learnard, for the same Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the petition from residents of Brighton avenue and vicinity for school accommodations, reported that the cost per annum for tuition in the Brookline Schools is $25.00 for each scholar, or an aggregate of about $500.00 for the number of children mentioned in the petition, which it is expedient for the School Board to pay; and that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to contract with the Brookline School Committee for the attendance of children living on Brighton avenue and St. Mary's street or vicinity, at the schools in Brookline, for a length of time not exceeding one year.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Flint offered the following orders: —

Rules and regulations; amendment proposed.

1. *Ordered*, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider the advisability of amend-

ing Sections 121 and 178, so that they shall include the Girls' High and the mixed High Schools in their provision.

Passed.

Salary of Eugene Raymond.

2. *Ordered*, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to pay to Eugene Raymond, of the Charlestown High School, a salary of seven hundred dollars ($700), in accordance with the schedule of salaries adopted by the Board.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Resignation of Carrie T. Haven.

Mr. Perkins, for the Third Division Committee, reported the resignation of Carrie T. Haven, third assistant in the Phillips School, the same to take effect April 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Finney submitted the following, and moved its reference to the Committee on Accounts: —

CHAPTER 53.

Act of legislature to incorporate the School Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-seven.

AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows: —

SECTION 1. The School Committee of the City of Boston, for the time being, is hereby made a corporation by the name of The School Committee of the City of Boston, and said committee and its successors in office, elected according to law in said city, shall continue a body corporate for the purposes hereinafter set forth, with all the powers and privileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and liabilities set forth in all general laws which now are or may hereafter be in force relating to such corporations.

Sect. 2. Said corporation shall have authority to receive and hold all sums of money, and real and personal estate not exceeding in the aggregate the value of two hundred thousand dollars, which money may be given, granted, bequeathed or devised to it for the benefit of the teachers in the public schools of the City of Boston, or their families, requiring charitable assistance, or for the benefit of any persons or the families of any persons who have formerly been such teachers, requiring charitable assistance. It shall have power to manage and dispose of the same, according to its best discretion, and to execute any and all trusts according to the tenor thereof which may be created for the purposes aforesaid.

Sect. 3. Said corporation shall likewise be entitled to receive from the members of the School Committee within the present limits of that part of the City of Boston which was formerly the City of Charlestown, the fund known as the Charlestown School Trust Fund, and shall hereafter manage said fund and disburse the income thereof within the limits of the former City of Charlestown according to the tenor of the instruments creating said trust.

House of Representatives, March 2, 1877.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN D. LONG,
Speaker.

In Senate, March 9, 1877.

Passed to be enacted.

JOHN B. D. COGSWELL,
President.

March 13, 1877.

Approved,

ALEXANDER H. RICE,

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Secretary's Department.
Boston, March 27, 1877.

A true copy.

HENRY B. PIERCE,
Secretary.

Passed.

The Chair read the following petition: — Petition from Frances V. Keyes.

March 27, 1877.

Miss F. V. Keyes, Principal of the Warren Evening School, Charlestown, petitions the Board to grant her a certificate making her eligible to her present position; also to substitute in the public day schools, or as teacher of an intermediate class in the public day schools, without taking the examination.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Flint offered the following order: —

Maximum salary to John F. Tufts.

Ordered, That John F. Tufts, special teacher of History in the Public Latin School, be paid the maximum salary of sub-master.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Leave of absence to Mary A. Morse.

On motion of Miss Peabody, leave of absence for the remainder of the school year was granted to Mary A. Morse, fourth assistant in the Boys' Dudley District.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse: —

English High and Latin School-house; plans for.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consult with the City Architect, in reference to a change of the plans for the English High and Public Latin Schools, with a view to begin the immediate erection of the same.

Mr. Winship offered the following order: —

Rank of Artemas Wiswall and Abner J. Nutter.

Ordered, That the rank of sub-master be conferred upon Artemas Wiswall, of the Charles Sumner District, and Abner J. Nutter, of the Mount Vernon District, to date from Sept. 1, 1876.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Leave of absence to S. A. Benton.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, leave of absence for the remainder of the school-year was granted to S. A. Benton, third assistant in the Harvard School.

Medical Inspector of Schools.

Mr. Blake called for the special assignment, — the appointment of a Medical Inspector for the Public Schools; and offered, for the recommendation of the committee, the following as a substitute: —

Ordered, That this Board create the office of Medical and Sanitary Inspector of Public Schools.

Laid on the table, on motion of Mr. Thayer.

On motion of Mr. Thayer: —

Ordered, That the opinion of the City Solicitor be requested concerning the legality of the appointment, by the School Board, of a Medical Inspector of Schools. Opinion of City Solicitor; Medical Inspector.

Mr. William T. Adams offered the following: —

Whereas, by an order of the City Council adopted in the year 1875, a school for truant children was established separate and apart from the penal institutions on Deer Island; and Truant School on Marcella st.

Whereas, said school on Marcella street is now ready for occupancy, and it is proposed by the Directors of Public Institutions to transfer the pauper children to the said school;

Resolved, That we most respectfully ask the City Council of Boston, in behalf of those children committed to the reformatory institutions, primarily through the instrumentality of the officers of this Board, to refuse to divert the truant school on Marcella street from the purposes for which it was originally intended.

Passed.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the order for additional accommodations for the Andrew School District (March 13), reported that the order ought to pass. Report of Committee on School Houses; additional accommodations, Andrew District.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Winship: —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be requested to report to this Board by what authority the High Schools for boys have been closed on account of the weather within the past two weeks. High Schools; closing of on account of weather.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the Board adjourned at twenty minutes past 9 o'clock.

Attest:

GEO A. SMITH,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, April 10, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except Messrs. Fletcher and Flint.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

The Chair read the following communication: —

Opinion of City Solicitor; Medical Inspector of Schools.

CITY SOLICITOR'S OFFICE, 2 PEMBERTON SQUARE,
BOSTON, April 9, 1877.

SIR, — The question submitted to me by the School Committee, by a vote passed at their last meeting, namely, whether the Committee have the legal right to appoint a Medical Inspector for the Schools, and affix a salary to the office, has been duly considered.

Regarding the office proposed to be created to be of the character which the name indicates, and which the memorandum sent to me specifies, my opinion is that the committee are not authorized to expend the moneys under their control for its support. No statute confers upon them such legal power, either expressly or by implication.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. P. HEALY.

HON. FREDERICK O. PRINCE,
Chairman of School Committee.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, placed on file.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Teacher confirmed.

Warren School. — Annie M. Crozier, third assistant. Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bowdoin School. — M. E. McNeil, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Eliot School. — H. F. O'Dowd, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Mather School. — Ellen H. Bailey, third assistant, from April 11, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Salaries; pay of substitutes for sewing teachers.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the pay of substitutes for sewing teachers be fixed at the rate of seventy-five cents per hour, for each hour of actual service.

Passed.

Carrie Ford; maximum salary.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order (Feb. 13), that Carrie Ford be paid the maximum salary of third assistant, from the date of her appointment, reported that in their judgment the order ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Accounts; Act to incorporate School Committee.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Accounts, reported that the committee respectfully recommend to the Board the acceptance of the Act incorporating the School Committee, referred March 27.

They also recommend that the corporation be organized in the following manner: —

Organization of corporation.

The President of the Board to be President of the Corporation, *ex officio*.

The Secretary of the Board to be Secretary of the Corporation, *ex officio*.

A Treasurer to be chosen by ballot, who shall serve until the first regular meeting of 1878, or until his successor is appointed; and that thereafter the Treasurer be elected annually at the first regular meeting of each year.

The Committee on Accounts of the School Committee to be the Board of Directors of the corporation.

Accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank of Artemas Wiswall and Abner J. Nutter.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, reported that the committee have carefully considered the order referred to them March 27th, providing that the rank of sub-master be conferred upon certain principals now holding the rank of usher; and respectfully report that in their opinion it is inexpedient at this time to change the rules in relation to the rank of principals. The committee, however, recognize the justice of the claim that principals with the rank of sub-master or usher, who have the care and responsibility of Grammar and Primary Schools, should receive more compensation than instructors of the same rank in subordinate positions who are relieved from such care and responsibility.

The following order is submitted : —

Salary of sub-masters and ushers acting as principals.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be requested to consider the expediency of granting additional salaries to ushers and sub-masters acting as principals.

The report was accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Ballot for Treasurer of corporation.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board proceeded to ballot for a Treasurer, according to the plan adopted for incorporating the School Committee.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Palmer

and Learnard, a committee to collect, sort, and count the ballots.

The Board proceeded to ballot.

The committee reported the whole number of ballots, 22.

William H. Learnard, Jr., had 1.

Wm. H. Finney chosen.

William H. Finney, 21, and was accordingly declared elected.

Miss May, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order: —

Plants and flowers for study of Botany and Drawing.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to contract for the requisite supply of plants and flowers, to be delivered regularly at the Latin, the Girls' High, and the Charlestown High Schools, and at such other High Schools as may need them, for use in the study of Botany.

On motion of Mr. Perkins the order was amended by adding the words, "and Drawing."

Read, and referred, as amended, to the Committee on Accounts.

Report of Committee on High Schools; High School in East Boston.

Miss May, for the same committee, to whom was referred a petition of the East Boston Citizens' Trade Association, for the establishment of a High School in East Boston, reported that they have heard the petitioners and others interested, and have given most careful thought to the subject; and they recommend the establishment in that part of the city of a branch High-School, under the joint direction of the head-masters of the English and Girls' High Schools. By such an arrangement the disadvantages incident to distance and travel, which the petitioners set forth, will be overcome, and High-School instruction, equal to the best which the city now affords, will be furnished to those scholars in East Boston who desire it.

Your committee cannot recommend the establishment of

an independent High School in that part of the city. In their judgment it would be most unwise and inexpedient to take such a step. It is too obvious to require extended argument that a thoroughly good, free High School cannot be afforded to a comparatively small number of scholars. The expense of special teachers in the languages and other branches, for which special teaching is allowed to a large school, is too great to be afforded to a small number of scholars; and without such teaching the city ought not to give its sanction to an undertaking which could, at best, offer only the pretence of High-School advantages. But it is not the expense of special teaching alone that must be borne in mind. The high grade of scholarship requisite for masters and teachers in a High School is not to be had without the payment of large salaries, and the endless expense of conducting laboratories, establishing libraries, and meeting the other demands incident to High Schools, is far too great — as this School Board well knows from experience — for our city to pay unless for numerous scholars.

But the committee believe that all these advantages can be secured in a branch school, where the experience of the head-masters of our two great and successful High Schools can be brought to bear directly to ensure success. There seems no reason to doubt that such a school would not only be an honor to our whole city, but the very best possible means of furnishing a thorough education in that locality. Your committee offer the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to establish a branch High School at East Boston, to be placed under the joint charge of the head-masters of the English and the Girls' High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, laid on the table.

Dr. Blake, for the Committee on Kindergarten Schools, offered the following order: —

Additional Kindergarten Schools.

Ordered, That three additional Kindergarten Schools be established in such localities as the Committee on Kindergarten Schools may deem expedient.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Dr. Blake offered the following order: —

Petition of Legislature; Medical Inspector.

Ordered, That the President of this Board be requested to petition the Legislature for the passage of the following act: —

An act to authorize the School Committee to create the office of Medical and Sanitary Inspector of Public Schools.

Read, and, on motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, referred to the Legislative Committee, with instruction to take action at this session, if possible.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, it was

List of teachers appointed since Jan. 1, 1876.

Voted, That the Secretary report, at the next regular meeting, the number of teachers who have been appointed to permanent positions since Jan. 1, 1876, also the number of this class who are graduates of the Boston Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, it was

List of teachers appointed since Sept. 1, 1876.

Voted, That the Secretary report the number of teachers who have been appointed since Sept. 1, 1876, giving the number and names of those who have been appointed from the list of dropped teachers recommended by the several Division Committees. Also the names of teachers on the list above-mentioned, who are not yet appointed.

On motion of Mr. William T. Adams, it was

Leave of absence to Lizzie E. Shove.

Voted, That leave of absence for the remainder of the school-year be granted to Lizzie E. Shove, third assistant

in the Gibson School, Sarah Graham being employed as her substitute. Substitute.

Mr. Chapin, for the Second Division Committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Alonzo Meserve, now usher of the Prescott School, be allowed for the present school year, the pay of sub-master, there having been during the year the full number of scholars required by the rules of the Board for the payment of such salary. Alonzo Meserve; salary of.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Accounts, submitted the following unanimous report: — Report of Committee on Accounts.

"In accordance with the rules of the Board (Chap. 4, Sect. 42) your committee prepared and submitted to the City Council estimates of the amounts of money required by the School Board to meet the annual expenditures of the public schools of this city, and, recognizing the necessity for a close and careful estimate, made no allowance for unforeseen circumstances that might increase these expenditures, such as the establishment of new classes, a severe winter, and minor matters that are usually provided for, and asked for $1,534,800.00, — an amount less than that actually expended during the past year.

"The Committee on Public Instruction of the City Council, to whom these estimates were referred, reported a reduction of the amount of $123,280.00, designating in their report the items from which this amount should be deducted, and assuming and providing for establishing the salaries of instructors, even stipulating the compensation for the various grades, thereby exercising a prerogative in direct conflict with the laws of the State; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That the City Council be respectfully informed that the several estimates presented by the Committee on Accounts are actual expenditures required for Protest to City Council against reduction.

the public schools, and this Board protests against the reduction of $123,280.00."

Accepted, and the resolution passed.

On motion of Mr. Learnard it was

Name for school for Deaf-Mutes.

Voted, That the chairman of the Committee on the School for Deaf-Mutes consider the expediency of providing a name for that school.

Mr. Plummer offered the following order: —

Adams Schoolhouse; repairs, etc.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the necessary repairs and alterations in the Adams Schoolhouse to be made as soon as practicable.

Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses, with instructions to urge the immediate completion of the work.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams offered the following order: —

Certificate of service to Georgianna M. Putnam.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to grant a certificate of service to Georgianna M. Putnam, in consideration of her five years of service as a regular teacher in the Bowditch Grammar School.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Report of Committee on School-houses; boundary lines of Rice School section.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, offered the following orders: —

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Rice School Section be amended in agreement with an order of the Board (Sept. 28, 1875), so as to read as follows: "thence by the centre of the railroad to Berkeley street; thence by the centre of Berkeley and Dover streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to the point of beginning."

Passed.

Boundary lines of Brimmer School section.

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Brimmer School Section be amended, in agreement with an order of the Board (Sept. 28, 1875), so as to read as follows:

After the word "prolonged," "to the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by the railroad to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to Dover street; thence by the centre of Dover and Berkeley streets to the railroad; thence by the railroad to Fairfield street; thence by the centre of Fairfield street to the water; and thence by the water to the point of beginning."

Passed.

Mr. Perkins offered the following order: —

Selection of drawing.

Ordered, That a number of drawings made in the City Free Evening Drawing Schools be selected, with the consent of their owners, by the Drawing Committee from those now on exhibition at the Boston Art Club, to be retained as the property of the city, and hung on the walls of the School Committee rooms in Mason street.

On motion of Mr. Palmer amended by adding the words "without cost."

On motion of Mr. Perkins amended by adding the words "unless otherwise ordered."

Passed as amended.

On motion of Miss May, it was

Committee appointed on simple dress.

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed be to co-operate with the principals of the High and Grammar Schools for girls, in endeavoring to influence the girls to dress simply on the day of their approaching graduation.

The Chair appointed Miss May, Mr. William T. Adams, and Miss Peabody, to serve on said committee.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, it was

Exhibition of drawings; Committee on Education to visit.

Voted, That the Board invite the Legislative Committee on Education to visit the rooms of the Boston Art Club to examine the drawings now on exhibition.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, it was

Hour for meetings of Board.

Voted, That eight o'clock be adopted as the hour for the meetings of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Moran, the Board adjourned at ten minutes before nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEO A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, April 24, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole board, except Messrs. Learnard and Blake.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Normal School. — L. Theresa Moses, assistant.

Brimmer District. — Betsey P. Burgess, fourth assistant.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Maud M. Clark, third assistant, and Annie F. Ordway, fourth assistant.

Mather District. — Mary P. Pronk, fourth assistant.

Brimmer District. — Adeline S. Tufts, fourth assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Allston District. — Adelaide C. Williams, fourth assistant, from Feb. 13, 1877.

Bigelow School. — Jennie A. Cheney, third assistant, from Feb. 3, 1877.

Lincoln School. — Carrie L. Vose, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Norcross School. — Maria L. Nelson, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bunker Hill School. — Mary L. Caswell, third assistant, from Feb. 8, 1877.

Lawrence District. — Mary E. T. Shine, fourth assistant, from April 16, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of Mary J. Allison.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the resignation of Mary J. Allison, fourth assistant in the Girls' High School, to take effect April 11, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Board of Supervisors; examination of High Schools.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be excused for this year from a uniform examination of the graduating classes of the High Schools, there not being a uniform course of study in those classes. But the Supervisors are requested to superintend the examinations as fully as is practicable under present conditions.

Passed.

Report of Legislative Committee; Medical Inspector.

Dr. Palmer, for the Legislative Committee, to whom was referred the order, "That the President of this Board be requested to petition the Legislature for the passage of the following act: An Act to authorize the School Committee to create the office of Medical and Sanitary Inspector of Public Schools," reported that said order ought not to pass.

On motion of Dr. Moran, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Examinations, reported on the referred order to request the Supervisors to grant a certificate of service to Georgianna M. Putnam, that no action is necessary, she having passed the recent examination by the Board of Supervisors. Report of Committee on Examinations; certificate to Georgiana M. Putnam.

Accepted.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Accounts, reported in relation to an order referred to them, to provide plants and flowers for the classes in Botany and in Drawing in the Girls' High, Latin, and Charlestown High Schools, that they have attended to the same, and made provisions for the supply of such flowers as may be necessary. Report of Committee on Accounts; plants and flowers.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, reported on the order referred March 27, that Eugene Raymond, Teacher of French in the Charlestown High School, be paid at the rate of $700 per annum, that the order ought to pass. Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Eugene Raymond.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, reported on the order referred March 27, for payment of the maximum salary to John F. Tufts, that the following order ought to pass : — Maximum salary of John F. Tufts.

Ordered, That John F. Tufts, Special Teacher of History in the Public Latin School, be paid the maximum salary of sub-master, to commence with the next school year.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, reported on the order referred April 10, for payment of the salary of sub-master to Alonzo Meserve, usher in the Prescott School, that, as he is at present receiving the salary of the grade to which he was nominated, they cannot recommend the passage of the order, and request Salary of Alonzo Meserve.

that it be referred to the Committee on Nominations for action in reference to the grade.

Accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Dr. Palmer, for the Committee on Schools for Deaf-Mutes, offered the following order: —

School for Deaf-Mutes; sewing.

Ordered, That sewing be introduced into the School for Deaf-Mutes; instruction in the same to be limited to the girls.

Passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Rules and Regulations; amendment proposed; substitutes.

Ordered, That Section 187 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by adding after the words "temporary teachers" the words "and substitutes."

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank and number of teachers.

Mr. William T. Adams, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, submitted a report on the several referred orders concerning the rank and number of teachers to be employed in the schools, which, on motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, was laid on the table, ordered to be printed, and specially assigned for consideration at half-past eight o'clock on the evening of the next regular meeting.

Miss May, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, offered the following orders: —

Rules amended; closing of schools on account of weather.

Ordered, That Section 121 be amended by striking out the words "no session or"; and that Section 178 be amended by striking out the first clause, and, further, by adding the words after "afternoon," second line of second clause, "on account of stormy weather" in place of "for the same reason"; and in the next line "same signal" shall be stricken out, and the number "twenty-two" inserted in their place; and that the final clause be stricken out.

Passed, 11 to 9.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be charged in future with the responsibility of deciding what storms have been severe enough to justify absence from school, and of giving notice to teachers, who shall not cause scholars to lose rank in consequence of absence on those days.

Board of Supervisors; absence of pupils on account of weather.

Lost, 9 to 10, the Chair voting in the negative.

The Chair read the following communication: —

OFFICE OF SUPT. PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
ST. LOUIS, April 20, 1877.

Communication from Supt. of Schools, St. Louis.

HON. J. D. PHILBRICK, *Supt. Schools, Boston, Mass.*: —

DEAR SIR, — Allow me, in behalf of the Public Schools of St. Louis, to return you our sincere thanks for the loan of the magnificent collection of drawings which were on exhibition here for several days last winter. They were visited, not only by our teachers and members of the Board, but also by our citizens in large numbers, and excited great admiration. Teachers and pupils were anxious to copy the beautiful designs for further study. I doubt not that the study of industrial drawing has received a lasting impulse through the exhibition of the work of your schools.

Will you be kind enough to present the thanks of our Board to Mr. C. C. Perkins, Chairman of Committee on Drawing, Professor Walter Smith, Superintendent of Drawing, and to your Board of Public Schools, for their courtesy in this matter?

Very respectfully,

W. T. HARRIS,
Supt. Schools, St. Louis.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, placed on file.

Mr. Finney read the following communication: —

MASON STREET, April 24, 1877.

Leave of absence to Wm. Nichols.

To the Members of the School Board of the City of Boston: —

Acting under the advice of physicians, I most respectfully petition for leave of absence from the first of May to the first of November, 1877.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
WM. NICHOLS.

Granted.

Miss May offered the following order: —

Supervisors; additional assistance.

Ordered, That the Supervisors have authority to employ assistance in performing the additional work occasioned by the illness of Mr. Supervisor Nichols, without expense to the city.

Passed.

High School in East Boston; accommodations for.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher, the report of the Committee on High Schools for the establishment of a Branch High School in East Boston was taken from the table.

The report was accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Fletcher offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable accommodations for the East Boston Branch High School.

Read and referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses.

Temporary teacher.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the name of Clarence L. Howes as temporary teacher in the Latin School.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Wm. T. Adams, it was

Leave of absence to Annie L. Jenkins.

Voted, That the leave of absence granted to Annie L. Jenkins, third assistant in the Mather District, be extended to the close of the present school year, on account

Substitute.

of her continued illness; and that Mary A. Lowe continue to act as her substitute.

Leave of absence to Marietta Rice.

On motion of Miss Peabody, the leave of absence granted to Marietta Rice, third assistant in the Boys' Dudley School, was extended to the close of the present school year.

Substitute.

Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, reported the name of Harriet M. Boit as substitute for more than one month in the Boys' Dudley School.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, leave of absence was granted to Ellen A. Pratt, third assistant in the Warren School. Leave of absence to Ellen A. Pratt.

On motion of Mr. James Morse, the Board adjourned at half-past nine o'clock.

Attest: GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

In School Committee, May 8, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Chapman School. — Susan E. Geyer, third assistant.

Comins School. — Anna McDonald, third assistant, and Ella A. Chester, third assistant.

Dudley (Boys') School. — Frances M. Davis, third assistant, and Emmeline E. Torrey, third assistant.

Emerson School. — Louise S. Hotchkiss, first assistant, Carrie Ford, third assistant, and Sarah A. Bond, third assistant.

Everett District. — Persis E. King, third assistant, Evelyn C. Morse, fourth assistant.

Lewis District. — Anna S. Osgood, third assistant, and Mary E. Deane, fourth assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Phillips School. — Georgiana E. Putnam, third assistant, from May 14, 1877.

Wells School. — Lizzie F. Stevens, third assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dor.-Everett District. — Mary E. Mann, fourth assistant, from May 7, 1877.

Minot District. — Winella W. Stratton, fourth assistant, from May 4, 1877, and S. Maria Elliott, fourth assistant, from Feb. 26, 1877.

Wells District.— Florence E. Dexter, fourth assistant, from April 14, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Sewing; Mrs. A. J. Goodwin appointed.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported the name of A. J. Goodwin, for appointment as sewing teacher in the School for Deaf-Mutes, to date from May 7, 1877.

Accepted, and the appointment confirmed.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations; clerical assistance for Superintendent.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was recommitted the report and order relating to clerical assistance for the Superintendent, reported that the committee recommend the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Superintendent be authorized to nominate a clerk for his office, subject to the approval of the Board; the salary of such clerk not to exceed $700 per annum.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Appointment of substitutes.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order of April 24th, to amend Section 187, reported that the object sought to be attained by the proposed amendment, as explained by the member presenting it, is already provided for by the amendment to the section, adopted Dec. 12, 1876 (page 252 of the Minutes of

1876), which was accidentally omitted from the present printed edition of the Rules and Regulations.

The committee are, therefore, of the opinion that further legislation is inexpedient.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order: —

Special Instructors in Drawing.

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing consider the advisability of reducing the number of Special Instructors in Drawing in the Public Schools, and report thereon to this Board at its first regular meeting in June.

Passed.

Mr. Finney offered the following order: —

Salary of clerk for Superintendent.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be requested to report, at the next meeting of the Board, a salary for the clerk to the Superintendent.

Passed.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams offered the following order: —

Consolidation of schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses and District Lines be instructed to consider and report whether, or not, the number of Grammar Schools may be reduced by consolidation, or otherwise.

Passed.

Report of Secretary; lists of teachers.

The Chair read the following report from the Secretary, in compliance with the terms of the orders of April 10: —

No. of teachers nominated on probation since Jan. 1, 1876 .	63
No. of those who are Normal graduates	20
No. of teachers nominated on probation since Sept. 1, 1876 .	51
No. of these from list of dropped teachers recommended by Division Committees	8
Viz.: J. Eastman, M. F. Gargan, L. E. Viles, E. F. Marshall, V. M. Goss, E. A. Brown, A. T. Wier, S. L. Adams.	
No. from list of dropped teachers not yet nominated . .	17
Viz.: C. W. Graves, S. A. Atwood, A. S. Hatch, C. M. W. Tilden, M. E. Donegan, M. E. F. McNeil, M. L. Desmond, S. A. Slavin, E. N. Smith, M. W. Perry, M. A.	

Flynn, S. N. Herrick, E. J. Vose, A. J. Meins, J. Shove, R. E. Lander, E. F. Colomy.

Employed temporarily from dropped teachers, S. A. Slavin, E. F. Colomy.

Adelaide E. Badger added to the list of dropped teachers.

On motion of Mr. Perkins, the name of A. E. Badger was added to the list of dropped teachers recommended by the Committee on the Third Division.

Accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, it was

Leave of absence to Harriet Sturtevant.

Voted, That leave of absence for the remainder of the school year be granted to Harriet Sturtevant, third assistant in the Adams School.

Mr. Winship offered the following order: —

Primary accommodations; Allston Dist.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional accommodations for the Primary classes now located in Rice's Block, Allston District.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, it was

Notice for admission to High Schools.

Voted, That the Secretary be requested to give notice that applicants for admission to the High Schools, who are not members of the Boston Grammar Schools, may take the diploma examination in June, with the Grammar-School graduates, on signifying a wish to do so.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Leave of absence to Amanda Snow.

Voted, That leave of absence, for the remainder of the school year, be granted to Amanda Snow, third assistant in the Brimmer School.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams it was

Leave of absence to Ella R. Johnson.

Voted, That leave of absence, for the remainder of the school year, be granted to Ella R. Johnson, fourth assistant in the Shurtleff District.

Committee on Annual Festival; W. P. Adams excused.

The Chair read a communication from Mr. Warren P. Adams, asking to be excused from serving as Chairman of the Committee on the Annual School Festival.

Granted, and the Chair appointed Mr. Thayer as Chairman of the Committee. Geo. A. Thayer appointed.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, in compliance with the order referred March 27, reported that the closing of the High Schools for boys, on account of stormy weather, had occurred under a misunderstanding of the Rules and Regulations, and without apparent authority. Report of Committee on High Schools; closing of schools on account of weather.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. James Morse, it was

Voted, That the Committee on High Schools be requested to give a hearing to the head-masters of the High Schools on the advisability of districting the High Schools of the city. Committee on High Schools to give hearing.

The Chair read a communication from the International Exhibition Company concerning the Paris Exposition. Communication from International Exhibition Company.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, it was

Voted, That a committee of three be appointed to take charge of all matters relating to the exhibition of the work of the public schools of this city at the Paris Exposition, and Messrs. Palmer, Learnard and Perkins were appointed to serve on the above committee. Special Committee on Paris Exposition.

Mr. Palmer, for the Committee on the School for Deaf-Mutes, to whom was referred the order of April 10, for providing a suitable name for that school, reported that the committee recommend the passage of the following order :— Report of Committee on School for Deaf-Mutes; name for school.

Ordered, That the School for Deaf-Mutes on Warrenton street be hereafter called "The Horace Mann School for the Deaf."

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, in relation to the rank and number of teachers, with orders relating to the same, which were specially assigned for consideration at half-past eight o'clock, were taken from the table. Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; rank and number of teachers.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the question was divided.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the first order was amended by substituting in Article 3, Sect. 226, the word "quarter" for the word "month," in the fourth line; and the phrase "the month following favorable action of the Board," for the words "a month" at the end.

Passed as amended.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the second order, Article 3, Sect. 246, was similarly amended.

Passed as amended.

The third order passed.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, offered the following order: —

Sewing in Horace Mann School for Deaf.

Ordered, That the Committee on Sewing may make such arrangement of the sewing divisions in the Horace Mann School for the Deaf as they may deem expedient, and that sewing may be taught to the boys in that school.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at ten minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest: GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, May 22, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except Messrs. Hayes and Ryan.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Allston District. — Adelaide C. Williams, fourth assistant.

Andrew School. — Esther F. Nichols, third assistant.

Bigelow School. — Jennie A. Cheney, third assistant.

Central School. — Victoria M. Goss and Emily A. Hanna, third assistants.

Comins School. — Martha A. Cummings, first assistant.

Dearborn School. — Philena W. Rounseville, first assistant.

Eliot School. — Frederick H. Ripley, usher.

Everett School. — S. Flora Chandler and Janet M. Bullard, first assistants.

Frothingham District. — Mary E. Delaney, fourth assistant.

Gaston District. — Julia A. Evans, fourth assistant.

Lawrence School. — Hannah E. Burke, third assistant.

Lincoln School. — Carrie L. Vose, third assistant.

Mt. Vernon School. — Emma J. Fossett and Emily M. Porter, third assistants.

Norcross School. — Maria L. Nelson, third assistant.

Wells School. — Lizzie F. Stevens, third assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Frothingham District. — Mary E. Delaney, fourth assistant, from Feb. 5, 1877.

Lawrence School. — Hannah E. Burke, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1876.

Wells District. — Adelaide E. Badger and Florence E. Dexter, fourth assistants, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dudley (Boys') District. — Harriet M. Boit, fourth assistant, from May 7, 1877.

Minot School. — S. Maria Elliott, third assistant, from May 26, 1877.

Accepted.

Alonzo Meserve, salary of.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee to whom was referred the order (April 24th) that Alonzo Meserve, usher in the Prescott School, be allowed, for the present school year, the pay of sub-master, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Alonzo Meserve, rank of.

Ordered, That Alonzo Meserve, usher in the Prescott School, be raised to the rank of sub-master; the number of pupils during the past quarter warranting such promotion.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Nominations be authorized to report in print the nominations for re-election of instructors. Committee on Nominations to report in print.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries — to whom was referred the order (May 8th) to fix the salary for a clerk to the Superintendent — submitted the following order: — Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of Supt.'s clerk.

Ordered, That the salary of the clerk to the Superintendent be $700 per annum.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Voted, That further time be granted to the Committee on Salaries for the consideration of the expediency of granting additional salaries to ushers and sub-masters acting as principals. Salaries of ushers and sub-masters acting as principals.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, submitted the annual report of that committee. Report of Committee on Evening Schools.

Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on the Second Division, reported the resignation of Anna R. Stearns, fourth assistant in the Bunker Hill District, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877. Resignation of Anna R. Stearns.

Accepted.

Miss May, as Chairman of the Special Committee of three appointed to consider the question of limited corporal punishment in the Public Schools, presented a majority report, signed by Warren P. Adams and Charles Hutchins, that it is inexpedient to legislate upon the subject. Report of Committee on Corporal Punishment; majority report.

Miss May then offered the minority report, with the following orders appended: — Minority report.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to report an order providing that the use of

corporal punishment, in all forms, be forbidden in the sixth classes of the Primary Schools, unless special permission be granted in individual cases.

Ordered, That a Committee of Special Discipline be appointed, consisting of five members, who shall have authority to grant permission to use corporal punishment, whenever they deem it needful.

Miss May moved the substitution of the minority report and orders for the majority report.

Mr. Learnard asked for a division of the question.

The minority report was substituted for the majority by a vote of 11 to 10, the Chair voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Learnard moved to amend the first order by substituting the words "to consider the expediency of reporting" for the words "to report."

Mr. Wm. T. Adams moved to amend the first order by substituting the words "first classes of the Grammar Schools" for "sixth classes of the Primary Schools."

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the orders were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. James Morse, the reports were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Voted, That authority be given to the majority to enlarge their report if they desire.

Substitute.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported the name of M. C. Turner, as a substitute for more than thirty days in the Brimmer School.

Accepted.

Resignation of Sarah F. Monto.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, reported the resignation of Sarah F. Monto, fourth assistant in the Allston District, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported the resignation of Josephine D. Snow, third assistant in the Sherwin School, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877. Resignation of Josephine D. Snow.

Accepted.

The Chair read the following communication :— Com. from Old South Preservation Committee.

BOSTON, May 22, 1877.

To the School Committee : —

The undersigned, in behalf of the Old South Preservation Committee, have the honor to ask your Honorable Board for permission to have the coming School Festival repeated for the benefit of the Old South Fund.

Very respectfully,

SAMUEL A. GREEN,
ALEXANDER COCHRANE,
Sub-Committee.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following order : — Musical exhibition for benefit of Old South Fund.

Ordered, That the Committee on Music be requested to allow the children of the schools who will sing at the coming Musical Exhibition, to volunteer to give a concert for the benefit of the fund for the preservation of the Old South Church, on Wednesday or Saturday afternoon following the said Musical Exhibition; the expense to be paid by the Preservation Committee of the Old South Church.

Referred to the Committee on Music, with full powers.

The Chair read the following communication : — Communication from Supt.; nomination of clerk.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, May 22, 1877.

Hon. F. O. PRINCE, *President of School Board :* —

DEAR SIR, — In accordance with the order passed by the Board on the 8th inst., authorizing the Superintendent to nominate a clerk for his office, I hereby nominate for that situation Mr. Justin H. Smith.

Very respectfully yours,

JOHN D. PHILBRICK,
Superintendent.

The nomination was confirmed.

Substitute.

Mr. Plummer, for the Committee on the First Division, reported the name of Ella L. Burbank as substitute for more than thirty days in the Adams School.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, it was

Mary A. Lovejoy, temporary teacher.

Ordered, That the rules be suspended, to allow of the employment of Mary A. Lovejoy, without a certificate, as temporary teacher in the Lyman District, from May 1st, in the place of Louise A. Small, deceased.

Wednesday-afternoon sessions.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the vote by which the order for the omission of Wednesday-afternoon sessions was passed, be reconsidered, and that the motion be laid on the table.

The point being raised by Mr. Moran and sustained by the Chair, that Mr. Hobbs not having voted in the affirmative, the motion was out of order, Mr. Finney renewed the motion, in order that the member might have a hearing.

The motion was laid on the table.

Mary A. Lovejoy, temporary teacher.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the vote allowing the employment of Miss Lovejoy was reconsidered, and referred to the Committee on Examinations, with full powers.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Exhibitions of Military Drill.

Ordered, That the Committee on Military Drill be authorized to allow such public exhibitions of Military Drill as they may deem expedient, without expense to the city.

On motion of Mr. Bowditch, it was

Metric System.

Ordered, That the Committee on Text-Books be requested to consider the expediency of providing practical instruction in the use of the Metric System of Weights and Measures in the Grammar and Primary Schools.

Miss May offered the following order: —

Payment of teachers' salaries.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to consider the propriety of making arrangements for pay-

ing the salaries of the teachers before the closing of the schools for the summer vacation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Fifth Division, reported the name of Flora J. Crook as substitute in the Everett District, and S. C. Lougee as substitute in the Franklin District. Substitutes.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board adjourned at five minutes before ten o'clock.

Attest: GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

In School Committee, June 12, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except the President.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Latin School. — John F. Tufts, sub-master.

West Roxbury High School. — Annie B. Lord, third assistant, and Louise M. Thurston, fourth assistant.

Dudley (Boys') School. — Lucette S. James, third assistant.

Emerson District. — Susan A. Slavin, fourth assistant.

Gaston District. — Carrie W. Haydn, fourth assistant.

Lawrence School. — Emma P. Hall, second assistant.

Mt. Vernon District. — Emily M. Porter, second assistant, and Ada F. Adams and Adah E. Smith, fourth assistants.

Wells District. — E. Augusta Brown, fourth assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Emerson District. — Susan A. Slavin, fourth assistant, from February 19, 1877.

Gaston School. — Mary E. Graves, third assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Sherwin School. — Lucy J. Mellen, third assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Gaston School. — Frances A. Cornish, third assistant, from February 5, 1877.

Phillips School. — Alfred Bunker, third assistant, from April 9 to May 14, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, it was

Grammar Schools; exhibitions.

Voted, That the several exhibitions of the Grammar Schools be held this year on June 27, 28, 29, and 30, and that the annual festival, complimentary to the medal and diploma scholars, take place on the afternoon of June 30.

On motion of Miss May, it was

Exercises; graduation day.

Voted, That the attention of principals be called to Section 203, and that they be requested to bring the exercises of graduation day strictly within the two hours allowed.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

High Schools; exhibitions.

Voted, That the exhibitions of the several High Schools take place on the following days: —

Girls' High	. . . . .	Monday,	June 25, 10 A. M.
W. Roxbury High,	. . . . .	"	" 25, 3 P. M.
English High	. . . . .	Tuesday,	" 26, 10 A. M.
Dorchester High	. . . . .	"	" 26, 3 P. M.
Charlestown High	. . . . .	Wednesday,	" 27, 10 A. M.
Roxbury High	. . . . .	Thursday,	" 28, 10 A. M.
Brighton High	. . . . .	"	" 28, 7 P. M.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, offered the following order : —

Sessions of Exeter-street School.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Fourth Division be authorized to arrange the sessions of the Exeter-street School, as they may deem expedient, until otherwise ordered.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Resignation of E. M. Hartwell.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the resignation of E. M. Hartwell, usher in the Latin School, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following order : —

Grades of principals.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of changing the grades of the principals of the Grammar Schools in agreement with the following orders, and report to the Board at its next meeting : —

Order No. 1. The instructor permanently in charge of any Grammar School, of four hundred and fifty or more pupils, shall be known as a Master.

Order No. 2. The instructor permanently in charge of any Grammar School, of from two hundred and fifty to four hundred and fifty pupils, shall be known as a Principal.

Order No. 3. The instructor permanently in charge of any Grammar School, of from one hundred to two hundred and fifty pupils, shall be known as a Vice-Principal.

Order No. 4. All Grammar Schools of less than one hundred pupils shall be colonies, under the charge of an instructor with the rank of first assistant.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, to

Report of Committee on School-houses; Primary School near Blue-Hill ave. and Waverley street.

whom was referred (Feb. 27) the petition of Leonard Ware, Jr., and seventy-five others, that a Primary School-house be erected on the corner of Blue-Hill Avenue and Waverley street, or in that vicinity, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Accepted.

Communication to City Council; new building for Allston School.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Whereas, in School Committee, June 8, 1875, and Feb. 29, 1876, two several orders were adopted, requesting the City Council to furnish additional accommodations for the Harvard (now Allston) School; and

Whereas, an appropriation was made by the City Government, in the early part of the year 1876, to purchase a lot of land on which to erect a building for the accommodation of said school; and

Whereas, an appropriation was made by the City Government, in the early part of the year 1877, to erect a building for the uses of said school; and

Whereas, the City Council, although invested with the authority and supplied with the means to purchase a lot of land for the purpose mentioned, have, down to the present time, omitted so to do; and

Whereas, in consequence of the want of a suitable building to meet the wants of a rapidly increasing district, the expenses of the city have been increased by the employment of

Two additional teachers	$1,600 00
The hire of two separate buildings . . .	800 00
Fuel, and janitors' services	514 00
Amounting in gross to the sum of . . .	$2,914 00

(say twenty-nine hundred and fourteen dollars); and

Whereas, by colonizing the school in four separate buildings, much of the efficiency of the principal of the school is lost, and the time of the pupils sacrificed; therefore be it

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to make some immediate arrangement whereby the benefits that would result by a centralization of the Allston Grammar School may be enjoyed by the teachers and pupils belonging to said school.

(Signed) F. LYMAN WINSHIP,
H. P. BOWDITCH,
WILLIAM T. ADAMS,

Committee on Eighth Division.

Adopted, and on motion of Mr. Chapin,

Voted, That a copy be sent to the City Council.

Report of Committee on School-houses; lot at City Point.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-houses, to whom was referred the order (May 26, 1876) concerning the expediency of purchasing a lot for a Primary School-house at City Point, reported that in consideration of the fact that there are vacant rooms in the Gaston School-house, the committee are of the opinion that such a purchase is at present inexpedient.

Accepted.

Dorchester-Everett School; additional land.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order (Dec. 6, 1876) that the City Council be requested to purchase additional land for the Dorchester-Everett School, reported that the order ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Plans for English High and Latin and Sherwin Primary Schools.

Mr. Chapin, for the same Committee, reported that the plans of the English High and Public Latin Schools, with the plan for a Primary School to be erected on Weston street, in the Sherwin District, having been examined by the members of the Board and approved by the Superintendent, the committee unanimously offer the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses be and are hereby authorized to approve the plans for a new school building to be erected on Warren avenue and Montgomery street, for the use of the English High and Public Latin Schools; also the plans for a new Primary School-house to be erected on Weston street, in the Sherwin District.

Mr. Godfrey Morse objected to the approval of the plans on the ground that suitable arrangements were not made for coat-rooms and dressing-rooms for the teachers and pupils.

After some discussion the objection was withdrawn, it appearing that such accommodations had been subsequently made.

The order was then passed.

Report of Committee on Accounts; additional Kindergarten Schools.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the order (April 10) for the establishment of three additional Kindergarten Schools, reported that, on the ground of expense, the committee deem the passage of the order at present inexpedient.

Accepted.

Resignation of Elizabeth L. P. Shannon.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported the resignation of Elizabeth L. P. Shannon, third assistant in the Everett School, to take effect September 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Reports of Committee on Text-books; text-books in schools.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Text-Books, reported that the committee recommend that the text-books now in use in the Primary and Grammar Schools be continued in use during the next school year. They also ask leave to present at a later date a report upon the text-books for the High Schools.

The report was accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

Further time granted on High School text-books.

Metric System; majority report.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order to consider the expediency of providing practical instruction in the use of the metric system of weights and measures in the Grammar and Primary Schools, offered a majority report, signed by Chas. Hutchins, Ezra Palmer, and Geo. A. Thayer, with an accompanying order that instruction in the metric system be given to the first classes of the Grammar Schools.

Minority report.

Mr. Blake offered a minority report on the same subject, advocating a full introduction of the metric system

in Grammar and Primary Schools, signed by John G. Blake and Godfrey Morse.

On motion of Mr. Bowditch, it was

Voted, That both reports be laid on the table and printed.

Resignation of Isabelle A. Worsley, Delia R. Capen and Marion W. Brooks.

Mr. William T. Adams, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, reported the resignation of Isabelle A. Worsley, third assistant in the Stoughton School; Delia R. Capen, fourth assistant in the Harris District, and Marion W. Brooks, fourth assistant in the Dorchester-Everett District, — all to take effect September 1, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Committee on Salaries to report in print.

Voted, That the Committee on Salaries be authorized to report in print, the schedule of salaries for the ensuing year.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nomination of principals.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, submitted in print a report nominating the principals of the several High and Grammar School Districts, with the exception of the Tileston District, which omission Mr. Finney stated would be explained by an order to be subsequently presented.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the doors were closed.

Communication from citizens of Boston Highlands.

The Chair read a communication from twelve citizens of Boston Highlands, petitioning for a change in the mastership of the Boys' Dudley School, which was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Voted, To proceed to an election, and the Chair appointed Messrs. Finney, Warren P. Adams, and Porter, a committee to receive, sort and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to their duties, reported as follows: Whole number of ballots, 24; necessary for a choice, 13.

Re-election of principals.

Normal School. Larkin Dunton, Head Master, had 23.
English High School. — Edwin P. Seaver, Head Master, had 24.
Girls' High School. — Homer B. Sprague, Head Master, had 24.
Roxbury High School. — S. M. Weston, Head Master, had 24.
Charlestown High School. — Caleb Emery, Head Master, had 24.
Dorchester High School. — Elbridge Smith, Master, had 24.
West Roxbury High School. — Edward W. Howe, Master, had 24.
Brighton High School. — Benjamin Wormelle, Master, had 23.

FIRST DIVISION.

Adams School. — Frank F. Preble, Master, had 23.
Chapman School. — George R. Marble, Master, had 19.
Emerson School. — James F. Blackinton, Master, had 21.
Lyman School. — Hosea H. Lincoln, Master, had 24.

SECOND DIVISION.

Bunker Hill School. — Samuel J. Bullock, Master, had 24.
Frothingham School. — Caleb Murdock, Master, had 24.
Harvard School. — W. E. Eaton, Master, had 24.
Prescott School. — George T. Littlefield, Master, had 24.
Warren School. — George Swan, Master, had 24.

THIRD DIVISION.

Bowdoin School. — Daniel C. Brown, Master, had 21.
Eliot School. — Samuel Harrington, Master, had 24.
Hancock School. — James W. Webster, Master, had 24.
Phillips School. — Samuel Swan, Master, had 24.
Wells School. — Robert C. Metcalf, Master, had 24.

FOURTH DIVISION.

Bowditch School. — Alfred Hewins, Master, had 18.
Brimmer School. — E. Bentley Young, Master, had 24.
Quincy School. — E. Frank Wood, Master, had 21.
Winthrop School. — Robert Swan, Master, had 24.

FIFTH DIVISION.

Dwight School. — James A. Page, Master, had 24.
Everett School. — George B. Hyde, Master, had 24.
Franklin School. — Granville B. Putnam, Master, had 24.
Sherwin School. — Silas C. Stone, Master, had 19.

SIXTH DIVISION.

Andrew School. — Leander Waterman, Master, had 24.
Bigelow School. — Thomas H. Barnes, Master, had 24.
Gaston School. — C. Goodwin Clark, Master, had 18.
Lawrence School. — Amos M. Leonard, Master, had 24.
Lincoln School. — Alonzo G. Ham, Master, had 24.
Norcross School. — Josiah A. Stearns, Master, had 24.
Shurtleff School. — Henry C. Hardon, Master, had 24.

SEVENTH DIVISION.

Comins School. — Charles W. Hill, Master, had 23.
Dearborn School. — William H. Long, Master, had 23.
Dudley (Boys') School. — Leverett M. Chase, Master, had 13.
Alfred Hewins had 6.
Dudley (Girls') School. — Sarah J. Baker, Master, had 16.
Leverett M. Chase had 1.
Alfred Hewins had 8.
Lewis School. — William L. P. Boardman, Master, had 19.
Lowell School. — Daniel W. Jones, Master, had 23.

EIGHTH DIVISION.

Allston School. — G. W. M. Hall, Master, had 23.
Bennett School. — E. H. Hammond, Sub-Master, had 24.
Central School. — John T. Gibson, Master, had 24.
Charles Sumner School. — Artemus Wiswall, Usher, had 24.
Hillside School. — Albert F. Ring, Sub-Master, had 24.
Mount Vernon School. — Abner J. Nutter, Usher, had 24.

NINTH DIVISION.

Everett (Dor.) School. — Henry B. Miner, Master, had 24.
Gibson School. — William E. Endicott, Sub-Master, had 24.
Harris School. — Edwin T. Horne, Sub-Master, had 24.
Mather School. — Daniel B. Hubbard, Master, had 24.
Minot School. — Joseph T. Ward, Jr., Sub-Master, had 24.
Stoughton School. — Edward M. Lancaster, Sub-Master, had 24.

Report of Committee on Nominations; consolidation of Tileston School.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported that, in consideration of the great expense attending the instruction of pupils in the Tileston School (the average whole number being seventy-three pupils, under the charge of an usher and one assistant, at an expense of salaries of $2,800 per annum), the committee recommend

that the Tileston School be placed in charge of an instructor with the rank of first assistant in the Grammar School; and that the same be referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Board.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the following nominations on probation: —

ON PROBATION.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nomination of teachers.

Adams School. — Harriet Sturtevant, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Bennett District. — Harriet M. Boit and Nellie A. Hoar, fourth assistants, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Bigelow School. — Jennie A. Cheney, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Brimmer District. — Ella F. White, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Everett School. — Sarah L. Adams, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Everett (*Dorchester*) *School.* — George M. Fellows, first assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Lincoln School. — H. H. Kimball, sub-master, and Mary A. H. Fuller and Silence A. Hill, third assistants, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Mather School. — Mary A. Lowe, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Phillips School. — Georgianna E. Putnam, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nomination of subordinate teachers.

Mr. Finney, from the same committee, submitted, in print, a report nominating the subordinate teachers of the several High and Grammar School Districts.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the name of John F. Tufts was added as sub-master in the Latin School. John F. Tufts; re-election of.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the report was laid on the table and the rules suspended to allow of the confirmation of Ella F. White, third assistant in the Brimmer District. Ella F. White; confirmation of.

Passed.

Mr. Porter moved that the name of Clara J. Reynolds, fourth assistant in the Bowdoin District, be added to the list for nomination. Clara J. Reynolds; nomination of.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, it was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the report was taken from the table, and the name of Ella F. White, third assistant, Brimmer School, was added to the list. Ella F. White; re-election of.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the report was amended by substituting the rank of second for third assistant for Emily M. Porter in the Mt. Vernon District. Emily M. Porter; rank of.

On motion of Miss Peabody, the name of Annetta F. Ames, third assistant, in the Comins District, was changed to Annetta F. Armes.

The report, as amended, was accepted, and the several subordinate teachers were re-elected for the next school year.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the doors were thrown open, and the Board proceeded as usual.

Mr. Palmer, for the Committee in charge of the School for Deaf-Mutes, gave notice that the school will give a public exhibition at the close of the term. Horace Mann School; exhibition of.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was voted, that when the Board adjourn it be to meet June 26th.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, to whom was referred the order (May 8) for considering the advisability of reducing the number of special teachers in Draw- Report of Committee on Drawing; special teachers in Drawing.

ing, submitted a report which, on motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Death of Mary A. Morse.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the death of Mary A. Morse, fourth assistant in the Boys' Dudley School.

Voted, To be placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, it was

Leave of absence to Louise S. Hotchkiss.

Voted, That leave of absence for six months from September 3, 1877, be granted to Louise S. Hotchkiss, first assistant in the Emerson District.

Corporal punishment in Andrew District; communication from F. E. Goodrich.

Miss May presented a communication from F. E. Goodrich, addressed to the Committee on Corporal Punishment, concerning corporal punishment in the Tuckerman Primary School, and moved that the same be referred to the Committee on the Sixth Division, with the request that they grant a hearing to the petitioner, and report as early as possible.

Mr. Hutchins called for a division of the question.

Voted, To refer the communication to the Committee on the Sixth Division.

Mr. Warren P. Adams moved to strike out "with the request," etc., and substitute "with full powers."

Lost.

The request to grant a hearing and report was then passed.

Mr. William T. Adams offered the following order: —

Rules and Regulations; amendment proposed.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to consider the expediency of striking out the word "current" in Section 226, Article 3.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at twenty minutes before eleven o'clock.

Attest:

GEORGE A. SMITH,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 26, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except the President.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Reports of Committee on nominations; re-election of Clara J. Reynolds.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, to whom was referred (June 12) the order that the name of Clara J. Reynolds, fourth assistant in the Bowdoin District, be added to the list of nominations for re-election, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Bunker-Hill District. — Mary L. Caswell, third assistant, from February 8, 1877; Lydia A. Simpson, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877; Mary L. Caswell, fourth assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Eliot District. — Mary E. F. McNeil, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877; Marcella E. Donegan, fourth assistant, from Sept. 4, 1877.

Prescott District. — Emma C. Olmstead, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Rice District. — Mattie H. Jackson, third assistant, from June 22, 1877; Mattie H. Jackson, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Everett District. — Mary E. Badlam, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877; Persis E. King, second assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877; Flora I. Crooke, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Franklin District. — Mary E. Josselyn, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Accepted.

Jennie A. Cheney; nomination of.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the vote for the nomination on probation of Jennie A. Cheney, third assistant in the Bigelow School, was reconsidered.

Mr. Finney, on leave, withdrew the nomination.

Hannah E. Burke and Jennie A. Cheney; re-election of.

Mr. Finney reported that the Committee on Nominations, having considered the recommendations submitted to them by committees in charge, nominate for re-election, Hannah E. Burke, third assistant in the Lawrence School, and Jennie A. Cheney, third assistant in the Bigelow School.

Accepted, and the teachers were re-elected.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations; Tileston School.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred a report of the Committee on Nominations in relation to a change of organization of the Tileston School, reported that in their opinion the proposed change should be made; and they submit the following order: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 226, Article 2, be amended by striking out the last sentence and adding the following: "In schools of 100 or more, but less than 200, the principal shall be an usher. In schools of less than 100 the principal shall rank as first assistant."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Organization of Grammar Schools.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, who were instructed "to consider the expediency of striking out the word 'current' in Section 226, Article 3," submitted the following order: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 226, Article 3, as amended

May 8, 1877, be amended by striking out the words, "of the current school year."

Passed.

Grades of principals.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, who were instructed to consider the expediency of changing the grades of the principals of the Grammar Schools, in agreement with four orders submitted by the Committee on Salaries, reported that, in their opinion, it is inexpedient to change the grades as proposed, and the orders ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Report of Com. on Nominations; re-elections, Tileston District.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported for re-election the following list of teachers in the Tileston District: —

N. H. Whittemore, *First Assistant.*
Martha A. Baker, *Third Assistant.*
Elizabeth S. Fisher, *Fourth Assistant.*

Accepted, and the teachers were re-elected.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order: —

Moses Merrill; compensati'n to.

Ordered, That the sum of three hundred dollars ($300) be allowed and paid to Moses Merrill, acting head-master of the Latin School, on account of extra services during the current school year.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Adjournment.

Voted, That when the Board adjourn it be to June 29, at 8 o'clock.

Truant Officers; re-election of.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Truant Officers, in accordance with the provisions of Section 55 of the Regulations, reported for re-election the names of the present corps of truant officers, as follows: —

Chase Cole, Chief; George M. Felch, C. E. Turner,

Jacob T. Beers, Phineas Bates, A. M. Leavitt, Samuel McIntosh, E. F. Mecuen, Jeremiah M. Swett, James P. Leeds, Charles S. Woofindale, Sumner P. White, Warren J. Stokes, H. F. Ripley.

Accepted, and the officers were re-elected.

Mr. Fletcher, for the same committee, asked for further time to consider the matter of salaries for truant officers.

Granted.

Kindergarten Schools; re-election of teachers.

Mr. Blake, for the Committee on Kindergarten Schools, reported for re-election for the ensuing year the following list of teachers in the school on Somerset street: —

Lucy H. Symonds, principal; Mary M. Kimball, assistant.

Accepted, and the teachers were re-elected.

Teachers of Sewing; re-election of.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported for re-election the following list of sewing-teachers: —

Adams. — Lizzie Robbins.
Allston. — Sarah A. Stall.
Andrew. — Lizzie Kenna.
Bennett. — Sarah A. Stall.
Bowditch. — Eliza A. Baxter.
Bowdoin. — Elizabeth D. Cutter.
Bunker Hill. — Julia A. Skilton.
Chapman. — Susan Cousens.
Charles Sumner. — Julia Z. Ridgeway.
Comins. — Delia Mansfield.
Dearborn. — Catharine G. Hosmer.
Dudley (girls). — Emma C. Waterhouse.
Emerson. — Susan Cousens.
Everett. — Martha A. Sargent.
Dorchester. — Mrs. M. A. Willis, Catherine C. Nelson.
Franklin. — Catherine E. Bigelow.
Frothingham. — E. A. Boyd.

Gaston. — Mary E. Patterson.
Hancock. — Kate Doherty.
Horace Mann. — Anna J. Goodwin.
Harvard. — E. A. Boyd.
Hillside. — Nellie J. Lincoln.
Lewis. — Melvina L. Sears.
Lowell. — Annie E. Brazer.
Lyman. — Frances C. Close.
Mt. Vernon. — Julia Z. Ridgeway.
Norcross. — Sarah J. Bliss.
Prescott. — Mrs. E. A. Boyd, Julia A. Skilton.
Sherwin. — Maria L. Young.
Shurtleff. — Eliza M. Cleary.
Warren. — Julia A. Skilton.
Wells. — Frances E. Stevens.
Winthrop. — Isabella Cummings, Frances E. Stevens.

Mr. Finney moved to amend the report by transferring Mrs. Cutter to the Franklin School and Miss Bigelow to the Bowdoin School. After a lengthy discussion, in which the Chair ruled that the Board can direct where the sewing-teachers shall be located, the report, as amended by transferring Mrs. Cutter to the Franklin School and Miss Bigelow to the Bowdoin School, was accepted, and the teachers were re-elected.

Examination for admission to High Schools.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That applicants for admission to the High Schools, who are not graduates of the Grammar Schools, be examined at the several schools they propose to enter, on the 3d and 4th of September next, commencing at 9 o'clock, A.M., each day.

Passed.

Schools for Licensed Minors; re-election of teachers.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors, reported for re-election the following-named teachers : —

Sarah A. Brackett, N. Margin street; M. Persis Taylor, East-street place.

Accepted, and the teachers were re-elected.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salaries of sub-masters and ushers acting as principals.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred (April 10, 1877) the order for granting additional salaries to ushers and sub-masters acting as principals, reported that the committee recommend the passage of the following order : —

Ordered, That all sub-masters and ushers, acting as principals in charge of schools, shall receive $200 per annum additional to the regular salary of sub-master and usher.

The report was accepted, and, on motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the order was recommitted to the Committee on Salaries.

Military Drill; re-election of instructor.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Military Drill, reported for re-election the name of Hobart Moore as instructor in Military Drill.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board proceeded to ballot.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Ryan, and Bowditch a committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, 20.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

Re-election of Hobart Moore.

Hobart Moore had 20, and was accordingly declared re-elected.

Communication from City Council; lot for Allston Schoolhouse.

The Chair read the following communication from the City Council : —

Ordered, That the Board of School Committee be requested to indicate to the City Council which of the sites

in the Allston District, selected by their sub-committee for a new school-house, will be satisfactory to said School Committee; and that the City Council be informed at an early day of the result of their choice.

Placed on file.

Report of Committee on School Houses; lot for Allston School-house.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be authorized to accept as a location for the new Grammar School-house in the Allston District, one of the following lots: The Hollis and Baldwin lot, on Harvard street; the Bird and English lot, or the Porter lot.

Passed.

Horace Mann School; re-election of teachers.

Mr. Palmer, for the Committee on Schools for Deaf-Mutes, reported for re-election, the following list of teachers, in the Horace Mann School: —

Sarah Fuller,	*Principal.*
A. E. Bond,	*Head Assistant.*
E. C. Jordan,	*Assistant.*
K. D. Williams,	"
M. F. Bigelow,	"
A. M. Jordan,	"
M. N. Williams,	"
M. G. White,	"

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the Board proceeded to ballot for a principal.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Palmer, Hayes, and William T. Adams a committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, 21.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

Re-election of Sarah Fuller.

Sarah Fuller had 21, and was accordingly declared re-elected.

The subordinate teachers of the school were all re-elected.

Re-election of Drawing instructors.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, reported for re-election the following list of drawing instructors: —

Walter Smith,	*Director.*
Lucas Baker,	*Special Instructor.*
Henry Hitchings,	" "
Charles A. Barry,	" "
Mercy A. Bailey,	" "
Mary Carter,	" "
Benjamin F. Nutting,	" "

On motion of Mr. Perkins, the Board proceeded to ballot for a director.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Perkins, Moran, and Fletcher a committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, 17.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

Re-election of Walter Smith.

Walter Smith had 17, and was accordingly declared re-elected.

The remaining teachers were re-elected.

Re-election of Music instructors.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Music, reported for re-election the following list of music instructors: —

Julius Eichberg,	*Director.*
Joseph B. Sharland,	*Special Instructor.*
Henry E. Holt,	" "

Luther W. Mason,	*Special Instructor.*
J. M. Mason,	" "
Hiram Wilde,	" "
Lucy H. Garlin,	" "

On motion of Mr. Perkins, the Board proceeded to ballot for a director.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Perkins, Winship and Porter a committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows: —.

Whole number of votes, 19.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

Julius Eichberg had 19, and was accordingly declared elected. Re-election of Julius Eichberg.

The remaining teachers were re-elected.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, reported for re-election the following list of instructors in Evening Drawing Schools: — Re-election instructors Evening Drawing Schools.

George H. Bartlett,	*Principal.*
C. J. Ward,	*Assistant.*
H. N. Mudge,	"
G. A. Loring,	"
L. M. Hallowell,	"
M. J. Green,	"
J. L. Frisbee,	"
A. Hun Berry,	"
C. L. Adams,	"
G. H. Young,	"
George Jepson,	"
A. J. Anthony,	"
L. W. Miller,	"

The teachers were re-elected.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following order: —

Teachers' examination in Drawing.

Ordered, That all teachers who have not yet passed their examinations in those branches of Drawing appointed to be taught in the grade of schools to which they belong, are required, unless specially excused, by the Committee on Drawing, to attend the lectures given to Primary, Grammar and High School teachers, by the Director of Drawing and the Master of the Normal School, until they shall have obtained certificates of their competency to give instruction according to the programme.

Passed.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Music, offered the following order: —

Teachers' examination in Music.

Ordered, That all teachers who have not passed their examinations in those branches of musical study appointed to be taught in the grade of schools to which they belong, are required, unless specially excused by the Committee on Music, to attend the lectures given to Primary, Grammar and High School Teachers, by the Director of Music and the Special Instructors, until they have obtained certificates of competency to give the required instruction.

Passed.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on the Third Division, offered the following order: —

Cushman Sch'l; Kindergarten class.

Ordered, That Miss Lucretia P. Hale be allowed to make use of a vacant room in the Cushman School building for a Kindergarten class, provided no expense be thereby entailed upon the School Committee or the city.

Passed.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following order: —

King-street School; Evening Drawing School.

Ordered, That a petition having been addressed to the Drawing Committee, signed by 346 persons, asking that a free Evening Drawing School be opened in October next

in the Highland District, and there being at the present time two vacant rooms suitable for the purpose in the King-street Primary building, for whose use the consent of the principal has been obtained, that the two said rooms be appropriated to that use.

Passed.

Report of Com. on Sixth Division; corporal punishment in Gaston District.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, to whom was referred the petition of F. E. Goodrich, concerning corporal punishment in the Tuckerman Primary School, reported that, as the charges were not sustained, the committee consider no action in the matter necessary.

Accepted.

Mr. Bowditch, for the Committee on Kindergarten Schools, offered the following order : —

Thomas-street School; Kindergarten School.

Ordered, That permission be hereby given to Mrs. Quincy A. Shaw, Perkins street, Jamaica Plain, to establish a Kindergarten for the poor, in the lower western room of the Primary-School building in Thomas street, Jamaica Plain, during the months of July and August, 1877, and that the committee of the Eighth Division be hereby authorized, in consultation with the Superintendent of Public Buildings, to make the necessary arrangements for such occupation, provided the same can be effected without expense to the city.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the order was amended by annexing the words "or the pupils."

Passed as amended.

Report of Com. on Accounts.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the annual report of that Committee (as per printed document on file).

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Warren P. Adams, it was

Copies, Report of Com. on Accounts.

Voted, That one thousand copies of the above report be printed.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, offered the following order: —

Amendment proposed, duties Com. on School Houses.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of amending Section 43, as amended December 12, 1876, so as to re-establish the section as originally established by this Board, except so much as refers to the Superintendent's duties in said amendment.

Passed.

Report Com. on Salaries.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the annual report of that committee (as per printed document on file).

Special assignment.

Accepted; and, on motion of Mr. Hayes, the orders therein were especially assigned for consideration on Friday, June 29, at 8.30 P. M.

Resignation of Charlotte L. Young.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported the resignation of Charlotte L. Young, fourth assistant in the Quincy District, to take effect September 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of Ellen A. Williams.

Mr. Bowditch, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, reported the resignation of Ellen A. Williams, second assistant in the Hillside District, to take effect September 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Miss May offered the following order: —

Teachers excused from teaching Music and Drawing.

Ordered, That the Committees on Music and Drawing be requested to report to the Board the names of all teachers excused from the regular course of instruction in those branches.

Passed.

Report Com. on Corporal punishment; special assignment.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reports of the Committee on Corporal Punishment were taken from the table and assigned for consideration at the first meeting in September.

Mr. Hayes offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Chapter XIV., Section 191, be amended by substituting the following: — Amendment proposed; regulations of teachers.

"Sect. 191. No teacher shall keep a private school, or instruct private pupils, before six o'clock, P. M., except on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, or edit any newspaper, or any religious or political periodical."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The Chair read a communication from Ellen L. Collins, teacher in the Bowditch School, concerning the payment of salary while absent from school on account of an injury accidentally received from one of her pupils. Communication from Ellen L. Collins; payment of salary.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at ten minutes before ten o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 29, 1877.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at eight o'clock.

The President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except Mr. Bowditch.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

The Chair read the following communication from the City Council: —

Communication from City Council; Vacation Schools.

Ordered, That there be allowed the sum of two thousand dollars, the same to constitute a special appropriation for the establishment and maintenance of Vacation Schools, so called, in this city; said sum to be expended for said purpose by the School Committee in such manner as they deem expedient, and to be charged to School Expenses, School Committee.

Placed on file.

Bowdoin School; sewing teacher.

Mr. Perkins moved that the vote by which Miss Bigelow was elected as sewing teacher in the Bowdoin School, be reconsidered.

Passed over until the consideration of motions, orders, etc., was reached.

Report of Committee on Nominations; nomination of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations on probation: —

Lowell District. — Isabel Shove, fourth assistant, from June 4, 1877.

Quincy District. — Laura M. Stevens, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported as follows : —

Report of Committees on Nominations and High Schools; head-mastership of Latin School.

The Committee on Nominations and the Committee on High Schools, acting jointly, after careful consideration, nominate as candidates for the head-mastership of the Latin School, Moses Merrill and J. M. Whiton.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board proceeded to ballot for a head-master for the Latin School.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Finney, Godfrey Morse, and Palmer a committee to collect, sort, and count the ballots.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows : —

Whole number of votes, 24.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

J. M. Whiton had 4.

Election of Moses Merrill.

Moses Merrill had 20, and was accordingly declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

Voted, That the term of service of Mr. Merrill commence, Sept. 1, 1877.

Mr. James Morse offered the following order : —

Moses Merrill; maximum salary.

Ordered, That Moses Merrill, head-master of the Latin School, be paid the maximum salary of that grade from Sept. 1, 1877.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, it was

Lot for Allston School.

Voted, That the Committee on School-houses be authorized to accept as a location for the new Grammar School-house in the Allston District, the lot owned by Mr. Colby, on the corner of Harvard street and Farrington avenue.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salaries of teachers.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the report of the Committee on Salaries, specially assigned for consideration at 8.30 o'clock, was taken from the table.

Order No. 1 passed by a vote of 13 to 7.

Order No. 2 passed.

Mr. Thayer moved to amend order No. 3 by substituting $1,900 for the salary of the assistant principal.

Miss May moved to amend order No. 3 by substituting $2,000 for the salary of the assistant principal.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the yeas and nays were ordered.

Mr. James Morse called for the previous question.

Lost.

Miss May's amendment was lost by a vote of 7 to 15.

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. William T. Adams, Flint, Hutchins, Thayer, and Winship, Misses May and Peabody.

Nays: Messrs. W. P. Adams, Chapin, Finney, Fletcher, Hayes, Hobbs, Learnard, Moran, Godfrey Morse, James Morse, Palmer, Perkins, Porter, Plummer, Ryan.

Mr. Thayer's amendment was lost by a vote of 10 to 12.

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. W. P. Adams, William T. Adams, Flint, Hobbs, Hutchins, Perkins, Thayer, and Winship, Misses May and Peabody.

Nays: Messrs. Chapin, Finney, Fletcher, Hayes, Learnard, Moran, Godfrey Morse, James Morse, Palmer, Porter, Plummer, and Ryan.

Order No. 3 passed.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams moved to amend order No. 4 by substituting a salary of $90 per month ($1,080 per year) for first assistants, and striking out second first assistants.

Mr. Moran moved to amend by substituting a salary of $60 per month ($720 per year) for second assistants, and a salary of $40 per month ($480 per year) for the first year, $45 per month ($540 per year) for the second year, $50 per month ($600 per year) for the third year, for third and fourth assistants.

Mr. William T. Adams offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the words "and fourth," at the top of page 6, be stricken out, and that the salaries of fourth assistants or teachers of the Primary Schools in the service of the city before the beginning of the school year 1877–8 be the same as those of the third assistants in the Grammar Schools; and that the salaries of those entering upon their duties after the close of the present school year be, for the first year, $40 a month, or $480 a year, with an increase of $5 a month, or $60 a year, until the salary shall be equal to the maximum rate paid to third assistants, the increase for last year being $30.

Mr. Winship called for the previous question.

Passed.

Mr. William T. Adams' first amendment was lost.

Mr. Moran's amendment was lost.

Mr. William T. Adams' second amendment was lost.

Mr. James Morse moved to amend by substituting a salary of $75 per month ($900 per year) for second first assistant.

Lost.

Order No. 4 passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved the adoption of Order No. 5.

Mr. Perkins moved to amend Order No. 5 by substituting a salary of $2,800 for district music teachers.

Mr. Porter moved to amend by substituting a salary of $2,700 for district music teachers.

Accepted by Mr. Perkins.

Mr. William T. Adams moved that special teachers in Music and Drawing be paid at the rate of $100, and special teachers in Modern Languages $90, for every hour per week of actual service in the school-room for the school year 1877–78.

Mr. Hayes called for a division of the question.

Mr. Perkins moved that Miss Bailey and Miss Garlin receive the salary of $1,700 each.

Mr. Porter called for the previous question.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Porter, the previous question was reconsidered.

Mr. Flint moved to amend by substituting a salary of $750 for the instructor in Physical Culture.

Mr. Porter moved to amend by substituting a salary of $2.50 per night for principals in Evening Schools.

Mr. Perkins moved to amend by substituting a salary of $10 per night for the principal of Evening Drawing Schools, and $6 per night for acting principals.

Mr. Perkins moved to amend by substituting a salary of $2,500 each for district drawing teachers.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the previous question was ordered.

Mr. Perkins' amendment for $2,700 for district music teachers was lost, 9 to 9.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams' amendment was lost, 9 to 9.

Mr. Flint's amendment was lost.

Mr. Porter's amendment was lost.

Mr. Perkins' second, third, and fourth amendments were lost.

On motion of Mr. Porter, the yeas and nays were ordered, 3 to 12.

Order No. 5 passed by a vote of 10 to 7.

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Chapin, Finney, Hayes, Hobbs, Hutchins, Godfrey Morse, James Morse, Palmer, Plummer, and Ryan.

Nays: Messrs. W. P. Adams, Flint, Perkins, Porter, Thayer, Misses May and Peabody.

Voted, That the several orders passed as follows take effect Sept. 1, 1877.

Salaries of Instructors of First Grade.

ORDER No. 1. — *Ordered*, That the salaries of the Instructors of the First Grade shall be: —

HEAD MASTERS —

	Per Month.	Per Year.	Present Salary.
First year,	$275 00	$3,300 00	$3,500 00
Second year,	315 00	3,780 00	4,000 00

MASTERS —

First year,	225 00	2,700 00	2,800 00
Second year,	250 00	3,000 00	3,200 00

SUB-MASTERS —

First year,	175 00	2,100 00	2,200 00
Second year,	200 00	2,400 00	2,600 00

USHERS —

First year,	125 00	1,500 00	1,700 00
Second year,	150 00	1,800 00	2,000 00

Salaries of Instructors of Second Grade.

ORDER No. 2. — *Ordered*, That the salaries of the Instructors of the Second Grade shall be: —

MASTERS —

	Per Month.	Per Year.	Present Salary.
First year,	$225 00	$2,700 00	$2,800 00
Second year,	250 00	3,000 00	3,200 00

SUB-MASTERS —

First year,	175 00	2,100 00	2,200 00
Second year,	200 00	2,400 00	2,600 00

USHERS —

First year,	125 00	1,500 00	1,700 00
Second year,	150 00	1,800 00	2,000 00

Dudley (Girls') School; salary of master.

EXCEPTION. *Ordered*, That the master of the Dudley Girls' School be paid at the rate of $1,800 per annum.

ORDER No. 3. — *Ordered*, That the salaries of the Instructors of the Third Grade shall be : — Salaries of Instructors of Third Grade.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS —

Per Month.	Per Year.	Present Salary.
$150 00	$1,800 00	$2,000 00

FIRST ASSISTANT —

135 00	1,620 00	1,800 00

SECOND ASSISTANT —

115 00	1,380 00	1,500 00

THIRD ASSISTANT —

95 00	1,140 00	1,200 00

FOURTH ASSISTANT —

75 00	900 00	1,000 00

EXCEPTION. *Ordered*, That the salary of the Assistant in the Normal School shall be at the rate of $1,380 per annum. Normal School; salary of assistant.

ORDER. No. 4. — *Ordered*, That the salaries of the Instructors of the Fourth and Fifth Grades shall be : — Salaries of Instructors of Fourth and Fifth Grades.

FIRST ASSISTANT —

Per Month.	Per Year.	Present Salary.
$95 00	$1,140 00	$1,200 00

SECOND FIRST ASSISTANT —

71 00	852 00	1,000 00

SECOND ASSISTANT —

66 00	792 00	850 00

THIRD AND FOURTH ASSISTANTS —

	Per Month.	Per Annum.	Present Salary
First year,	$45 00	$540 00	$600 00
Second year,	55 00	660 00	700 00
Third year,	62 50	750 00	800 00

Salaries of Instructors of Special Grades.

ORDER No. 5. — *Ordered*, That the salaries of the Instructors of the Special Grades shall be : —

MUSIC —

	Per month.	Per Annum.	Present Salary.
Director,	$250 00	$3,000 00	$3,300 00
District teachers,	200 00	2,400 00	3,000 00
West Roxbury and Brighton,	110 00	1,320 00	1,800 00

DRAWING —

Director,	250 00	3,000 00	3,300 00
District teachers,	175 00	2,100 00	2,500 00
Dorchester,	110 00	1,320 00	1,700 00
Girls' High,	75 00	900 00	1,000 00
Roxbury High,	50 00	600 00	700 00

CHEMISTRY —

Girls' High,	115 00	1,380 00	1,500 00
Assistant,	62 50	750 00	800 00

FRENCH —

Latin and English High,	200 00	2,400 00	3,200 00
Girls' High,	60 00	720 00	750 00
Dorchester High,	45 00	540 00	600 00
Roxbury High,	45 00	540 00	600 00
Charlestown High,	55 00	660 00	700 00
Brighton High,	20 83⅓	250 00	250 00

GERMAN —

Latin,	16 66⅔	200 00	200 00
Girls' High,	60 00	720 00	750 00
Dorchester, Rox. and W. Rox.	125 00	1,500 00	1,700 00

DEAF-MUTE —

	Per Month.	Per Annum.	Present Salary.
Principal,	$125 00	$1,500 00	$1,500 00
First Assistant,	75 00	900 00	900 00
Assistants, first year,	58 33⅓	700 00	700 00
" subsequently,	66 66⅔	800 00	800 00

LICENSED-MINORS KINDERGARTEN —

First year,	45 00	540 00	600 00
Second year,	55 00	660 00	700 00
Third year,	62 50	750 00	800 00

MILITARY DRILL —

Instructor,	125 00	1,500 00	1,500 00
Physical Culture,	50 00	600 00	600 00
Armorer,	35 00	420 00	500 00

SEWING —

	Present Salary.
For one Division, $100.00 per annum	$87 50
" two Divisions, 190.00 " "	175 00
" three " 275.00 " "	262 50
" four " 350.00 " "	350 00
" five " 425.00 " "	437 50
" six " 500.00 " "	525 00
" seven " 550.00 " "	612 50
" eight " 600.00 " "	700 00
" nine " 650.00 " "	787 00
" ten " 700.00 " "	800 00
All over ten " 750.00 " "	800 00

EVENING SCHOOLS —

		Present Salary.
Principal Evening High,	$10,00 per night	$10.00 per night.
Assistants,	" 4.00 "	5.00 "
Principal Drawing,	7.00 "	10.00 "
" Acting,	5.00 "	6.00 "
Assistants,	5.00 "	5.00 "
Principal Evening School,	3.00 "	3.00 "
Assistants,	1.25 "	1.00 "

Communication from Woman's Education Association.

Mr. Thayer read a communication from the Woman's Education Association, praying that measures be taken to furnish to the girls and boys of this city equal opportunities for fitting for college.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Resignation of Jenny H. Stickney.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Normal School, reported the resignation of Jenny H. Stickney, first assistant in the Boston Normal School, to take effect Sept. 10, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Voted, That when this Board adjourn, it be to Sept. 11, at 7.30 o'clock.

Report of Committee on Text-book; text-books for High Schools.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Text-Books, reported a list of text-books for the High Schools, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Hayes, the Board adjourned at half-past eleven o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 11, 1877.

A regular and adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Present: the whole Board, except the President and Messrs. Blake, Hayes, Perkins, Plummer, Ryan, and Winship.

On motion of Mr. W. P. Adams, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

Communication from Com. on Army and Navy Monument.

The Chair read a communication from the Joint Special Committee on the Army and Navy Monument, inviting the Boston School Regiment to join the procession on the occasion of the dedication of the monument, September 17, 1877.

Referred to the Committee on Military Drill, with full powers.

Report of Com. on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Charles Sumner District. — Fanny H. Wiswall, third assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Hillside District. — Mary E. Very, second assistant, and Ida M. Metcalf, third assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Allston District. — Georgie Palmer, first assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Harris District. — Cora F. Plummer, fourth assistant, from September 3, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Com. on Nominations; principal Rice Training School.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported for reëlection as principal of the Rice Training School, Lucius A. Wheelock; and moved that the rules be suspended in order to allow of the nomination.

The report was accepted, and the rules suspended.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board proceeded to ballot.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Finney, Moran, and Chapin a committee to collect, sort, and count the votes.

The committee, having attended to that duty, reported as follows: —

Whole number of votes, 17.

Necessary for a choice, 13.

Reëlection of Lucius A. Wheelock.

Lucius A. Wheelock had 17, and was accordingly declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was

Term of service of Lucius A. Wheelock.

Voted, That the term of service of Mr. Wheelock commence September 1, 1877.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following order: —

Maximum salary to Lucius A. Wheelock.

Ordered, That Lucius A. Wheelock, master of the Rice Training School, be paid the maximum salary of that grade from September 1, 1877.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Resignations in Third Division.

Mr. Porter, for the Committee on the Third Division, reported the following resignations, to take effect September 1, 1877: —

Bowdoin District. — Rose J. Prescott, fourth assistant.

Eliot District. — Frederic E. Whitney, usher.

Phillips District. — Hannah M. Sutton, third assistant.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Horace Mann School for Deaf.

Mr. Palmer, for the Committee on the Horace Mann School for the Deaf, submitted a report on that school, which was accepted and ordered to be printed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; duties Com. on School Houses. Rules amended.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations who were instructed — June 26 — to consider the expediency of amending Sect. 43, reported that the committee recommend the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That Section 43 be amended so that the last clause shall read: —

"And this committee, after having obtained the opinion thereon in writing of the Superintendent of Schools, is hereby authorized, unless otherwise ordered, to approve or disapprove any such location or plans."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations; regulations of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order — June 26 — to amend Sect. 191, reported that it is inexpedient to change the rule.

Accepted.

Resignations in High Schools.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the following resignations, to take effect September 1, 1877: —

Latin School. — John F. Tufts, sub-master.

Girls' High School. — Mary L. B. Capen, laboratory assistant.

Roxbury High School. — M. L. Tincker, first assistant.

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following

orders, which were referred to the Committee on Nominations; the Board refusing to suspend the rules, that the changes might be acted on at once, by a vote of 7 to 7: —

Joseph W. Chadwick; promotion of.

1. *Ordered*, That Joseph W. Chadwick be promoted to be master in the Latin School in place of Moses Merrill, promoted.

Frank E. Randall; promotion of.

2. *Ordered*, That Frank E. Randall be promoted to be sub-master in the Latin School in place of J. W. Chadwick, promoted.

English High School; teacher of French.

3. *Ordered*, That Eugene Raymond be appointed special teacher of French in the English High School.

Girls' High School; teacher of French.

4. *Ordered*, That Prospère Morand be appointed special teacher of French in the Girls' High School.

W. Rox. High School; teacher of French.

5. *Ordered*, That M. C. Ladreyt be appointed special teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School.

Roxbury High School; promotions.

6. *Ordered*, That Emily Weeks be promoted to be first assistant in the Roxbury High School, in place of M. L. Tincker, resigned, and that Eliza D. Gardner and Helen A. Gardner be appointed third assistants in that school.

Brighton High School; teacher of German.

7. *Ordered*, That John F. Stein be appointed special teacher of German in the Brighton High School.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Charles H. Brooks; appointment of.

Ordered, That Charles H. Brooks be employed as clerk of the head-masters of the English High and Latin Schools, at a salary of $600 a year.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following orders: —

Girls' High School; assistant in laboratory.

1. *Ordered*, That Margaret C. Brawley be appointed assistant in the chemical and physical laboratories in the Girls' High School.

Referred to the Committee on Nominations.

2. *Ordered*, That the salary of the assistant in the laboratory of the Girls' High School be fixed at $500 for the first year, and $600 for the second and subsequent years. Girls' High School; salary of assistant in laboratory.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of Physical Culture in the Girls' High School be fixed at $750 a year from and after Sept 1, 1877, in consideration of extra services as teacher in other departments. Girls' High School; salary of teacher of physical culture.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the "uniform course of study for three years for the High Schools" be amended so far as relates to the Girls' High School, so that Greek may be studied after the first year by girls who desire to fit for college, and that such other studies in the regular course may be dropped by them as are not required for admission to college. Greek in Girls' High School.

The Chair read a communication, as bearing upon the subject, from the Mass. Society for the University Education of Women, which was placed on file, praying that a course of classical instruction may be offered to girls in the Boston Latin School, as is now offered to boys. Com. from Mass. Society for University Education of Women.

Mr. Hutchins moved to assign the consideration of the order to the next meeting.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was voted to recommit the same to the Committee on High Schools. Also, to take from the files the communication just read and refer it to the same committee.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers; W. A. Wright appointed.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Truant Officers, submitted a report recommending the appointment of an additional officer; and nominating for the position W. A. Wright.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Salary of Truant officers.

Mr. Fletcher, for the same committee, submitted a report recommending that the salary of the chief officer be at the rate of $1,260 per annum, and that of the other officers be at the rate of $1,140 per annum, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877.

Accepted, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Flint it was

Adjournment.

Voted, That when this Board adjourn, it be to Sept. 25, at 7.30 o'clock.

Death of Elizabeth W. Yeaton.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on the Second Division, reported the death of Elizabeth W. Yeaton, fourth assistant in the Warren District.

Resignation of S. Adelaide Benton.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, reported the resignation of S. Adelaide Benton, third assistant in the Harvard District.

Accepted.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Alonzo Meserve; maximum salary.

Ordered, That the maximum salary of sub-master be paid to Alonzo Meserve, sub-master in the Prescott School, for the quarter ending Aug. 31, 1877.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Lydia M. Simpson; salary of.

Ordered, That the second year's salary be paid to Lydia M. Simpson, of the Bunker Hill School, she being a graduate of the Charlestown High School, and having taught five years in Nashua, as well as a portion of the last year as special teacher in the Harvard School.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Chapin offered the following order : —

Ordered, That in consideration of previous long service in the schools of this city, a certificate of the fourth grade be granted to H. Elizabeth Cutter. Certificate to H. Elizabeth Cutter.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Bowditch, for the Committee on Kindergarten Schools, reported the resignation of Mary M. Kimball, assistant in the Kindergarten School, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877. Resignation of Mary M. Kimball.

Accepted.

Mr. Bowditch, for the same committee, nominated as assistant in the Kindergarten School, Helen E. Hawkins. Kindergarten School; assistant.

Referred to the Committee on Nominations.

On motion of Mr. Bowditch, it was

Voted, That the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Text-Books, on the subject of instruction in the Metric System, be taken from the table and specially assigned for consideration at eight o'clock on the evening of the next regular meeting. Reports of Committee on Text-Books; special assignment.

On motion of Mr. G. Morse, it was

Voted, That there be no session of the public schools on Monday, September 17. No session.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the following resignations, to take effect September 1, 1877 : — Resignations in Seventh Division.

Dudley (Boys') District. — Marietta Rice, third assistant.

Lowell District. — Florence E. Tilton, first assistant.

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following order : —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be empowered to authorize the teaching of Greek in the fifth Greek in Latin School.

class of the Public Latin School, provided it can be done without materially disarranging the present course of study.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Amendment proposed; special grade certificates.

Voted, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of amending Section 147, relating to the certificates of special grade.

On motion of Mr. W. T. Adams, it was

Leave of absence to E. E. Shove.

Voted, That leave of absence be granted Elizabeth E. Shove, third assistant in the Gibson District, for three months from the beginning of the current school year, on account of sickness.

Substitute.

Mr. W. T. Adams reported the name of Mary E. Colburn as substitute in the place of Miss Shove.

Approved.

Resignation of Harriet N. Weed.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on the First Division, reported the resignation of Harriet N. Weed, third assistant in the Emerson District.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Text-Books.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the report of the Committee on Text-Books was taken from the table.

Mr. Flint moved to substitute the printed list (per document on file) for the report of the committee.

Mr. G. Morse moved to refer the printed list to the Committee on Text-Books.

Mr. Flint moved to substitute "authorized" for "used" in the report.

These motions, after discussion, were severally withdrawn.

Mr. Finney called for a division of the first order.

Mr. Finney moved that the first order proceed as far as Hutchison's Physiology, as follows: —

Ordered, That the following text-books be used in all the High Schools, not including the Latin School: —

Bain's Brief English Grammar.

Abbott's "How to Write Clearly."

Hill's General Rules for Punctuation.

Keetel's Analytical and Practical Grammar.

Virgil. (Any edition.)

Bradbury's Eaton's Algebra.

Norton's Natural Philosophy.

Gray's School and Field Book of Botany.

Hutchison's Physiology.

The motion passed, and the books were adopted.

On motion of Miss May, the last part of the order was considered.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was voted to consider the items separately.

Mr. Hutchins submitted the following, which was passed: —

Text-books in High Schools.

Ordered, That the following text-books be used in all the High Schools, not including the Latin School, to be introduced when a book is displaced only as new classes are formed.

Mr. G. Morse moved that the whole subject be referred to the Committee on Text-Books.

Lost.

The following books were unanimously adopted: —

Bocher's Otto's French Reader.

Otto's Grammar, for those beginning German the first year.

Comer's Book-keeping by Double Entry.

Eliot & Storer's Elementary Manual of Chemistry, edited by Nichols.

Kiddle's Astronomy.

The following orders were also unanimously passed: —

Ordered, That Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's

Trigonometry be used in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, Brighton, Charlestown, and the Girls' High Schools.

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School.

Ordered, That Morse's Zoölogy be introduced into all the High Schools, not including the Latin School, in place of any books now in use on the same subject.

Ordered, That apparatus to illustrate the Metric System be provided for the several High Schools, one set to each school, at an expense not exceeding $15.00 for each school.

The following books and orders were rejected: —

Whitney's German Grammar, for those beginning German the third year.

Whitney's German Reader, for all.

Latin School Series, Vols. I. and II.

Ordered, That Allen & Greenough's Latin Grammar be used in all the High Schools in which Latin is taught, not including the Latin School, the same to be introduced into the Girls' High, Dorchester, and the Charlestown High Schools, only as new classes are formed.

Ordered, That Allen's new Latin method be introduced into all the High Schools in which Latin is taught, not including the Latin School, as new classes are formed.

Mr. Fletcher offered the following order: —

Certificate to Frank E. Dimick.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be instructed to grant Frank E. Dimick a special grade certificate in consideration of his long service as teacher in the West Roxbury High School, which will render him eligible as master in an evening school.

Referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following order: —

Amendment proposed; regulations Normal School.

Ordered, That Section 276 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by inserting after the word "pupils" in

the sixth line, "An additional instructor may be elected for an excess of twenty pupils; and one may be removed for a deficiency of twenty."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. G. Morse, it was

General Statutes; Sect. 9, Chapter 38.

Voted, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to examine and report to this Board whether Section 9, Chapter 38, of the General Statutes has been complied with.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, it was

Copies; report of Committee on Horace Mann School.

Voted, That 1,000 copies of the report of the Committee on the Horace Mann School be printed for the use of the Board and teachers.

List of text-books for High Schools.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, submitted a list of text-books for the use of the pupils pursuing the three years' course (per printed document on file), and moved that it be referred to the Committee on Text-Books.

Committee on Text-Books to report in print.

Mr. Hutchins moved to substitute that the Committee on Text-Books be authorized to report in print an additional list of text-books for the High Schools.

Carried.

The substitute passed.

Reports of the Committee on Corporal Punishment; special assignment.

On motion of Miss May, the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Corporal Punishment were specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday, September 25, at 8.30 P.M.

Amended, on motion of Mr. Bowditch, by substituting 9 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. J. Morse, the Board adjourned at twenty minutes after 10 o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 25, 1877.

A regular and adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The President in the chair.

Present: all the members.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as in print.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the rules were suspended to allow of the presentation of resignations at that time.

Resignation of Frances E. Hildreth.

Mr. W. T. Adams, for the Committee on the Ninth Division, presented the resignation of Frances E. Hildreth, fourth assistant in the Minot District.

Accepted.

Resignation of Frank E. Randall.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, presented the resignation of Frank E. Randall, usher in the Latin School, to take effect Sept. 22, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of S. Maria Hogan.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, presented the resignation of S. Maria Hogan, fourth assistant in the Charles Sumner District to take effect Oct. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Com. on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of Teachers.

Normal School. — L. Theresa Moses, first assistant, from Sept. 10, 1877; and Annie E. Chace, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Latin School. — Joseph W. Chadwick, master, from Sept. 5, 1877; and W. A. Reynolds, sub-master, from Sept. 5, 1877.

Roxbury High School. — Emily Weeks, first assistant; Eliza D. Gardner and Helen A. Gardner, third assistants, from Sept. 5, 1877.

Bennett District. — Anna Leach, second assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Charles Sumner District. — Angie P. Nutter, fourth assistant, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Dorchester-Everett District. — George M. Fellows, usher, Mary F. Thompson, first assistant, and Helen M. Hills, second assistant, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Gibson District. — Emma R. Gragg, third assistant, from Sept. 18, 1877.

Lowell District. — Eliza C. Fisher, first assistant, Fannie L. Rogers and Susan E. Chapman, third assistants, from Sept. 4, 1877.

Minot District. — Sophronia M. Elliott, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Quincy District. — N. Hosea Whittemore, usher, from Sept. 19, 1877.

Sherwin District. — Louisa Ayer, third assistant, and Sarah E. Gould, fourth assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Dorchester-Everett District. — Mary E. Ryder, fourth assistant, from Sept. 10, 1877.

Minot District. — Jennie M. Seaverns, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3 to Sept. 13, 1877; and Alice Shepherd, fourth assistant, from Sept. 13 to Sept. 29, 1877.

Accepted.

Reports of Com. on Nominations; nom. of M. C. Ladreyt and M. C. Brawley.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 11 — the nomination of M. C. Ladreyt as special teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School, and of Margaret C. Brawley as assistant in the laboratory of the Girls' High School, reported that as these ladies have not received the certificates required by the rules, they are ineligible for nomination as instructors.

The report was accepted.

Special instructors in High Schools.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 11 — the several orders for the appointment of special instructors in the High Schools, reported the following-named teachers for election: —

Girls' High School. — Prospère Morand, teacher of French, from Sept. 1, 1877.

English High School. — Eugene Raymond, teacher of French, from Sept. 5, 1877.

Brighton High School. — John F. Stein, teacher of German, from Oct. 2, 1877.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

Nomination of Helen E. Hawkins.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 11 — the nomination of Helen E. Hawkins as assistant in the Kindergarten School, submitted a report calling the attention of standing committees to Sect. 86 of the Rules and Regulations which provides for the nomination of special instructors; and recommending that the nomination be rejected, Miss Hawkins not having received the certificate required to make her eligible as an instructor.

The report was accepted.

Resignation of L. M. Hallowell.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, presented the resignation of L. M. Hallowell, assistant in the Free Evening Drawing School, Jamaica Plain.

Accepted.

Nomination of G. W. Hammond and Chas. M. Carter.

Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, nominated G. W. Hammond, acting principal, and Charles M. Carter, assistant, in the Free Evening Drawing School, King street.

The nominations were confirmed.

Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Acting principals appointed.

Ordered, That C. S. Ward, H. N. Mudge, George Loring, and Charles L. Adams be appointed respectively as acting principals of the Charlestown, East Boston, Jamaica Plain, and Dorchester Free Evening Drawing Schools.

Passed.

Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of acting principals.

Ordered, That the vote of the Board, June 29th, fixing the salaries of acting principals in the Free Evening Drawing Schools at five dollars per evening, be reconsidered, and that they be paid at the rate of six dollars per evening for their services.

Mr. Godfrey Morse raised a point of order that the proposition was in violation of the statute law which provides that the "salaries established at the commencement of each school year shall not be increased during such year."

The Chair considered the point well taken.

Special assignment; metric system.

Mr. Blake called for the special assignment of majority and minority reports of the Committee on Text-Books on the metric system.

On motion of Mr. Moran, the special assignment was postponed for ten minutes.

Mr. Blake moved that the order of Mr. Perkins for reconsideration be laid on the table.

Lost.

Mr. Chapin asked if there were any question before the

Board, the Chair having ruled that the point of order raised by Mr. Godfrey Morse was well taken.

Whereupon Mr. Perkins appealed from the decision of the Chair, that the salaries having been fixed in the month of June last, it is not competent for the Board, even if it be an adjourned meeting, to reconsider the same.

After considerable discussion the appeal was sustained by a vote of 15 to 7.

The order of Mr. Perkins, to reconsider, was passed by a vote of 12 to 9.

That part of the order relative to the change of the salaries of acting principals from $5 to $6 per evening, being under discussion, Mr. Godfrey Morse raised the point of order that it was in violation of the law.

The Chair considered the point well taken.

Mr. W. P. Adams moved the previous question.

The previous question was ordered by a vote of 13 to 6.

The order was then passed by a vote of 12 to 10.

Special assignment; majority and minority reports. Com. on Text-Books.

The hour for the consideration of the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Text-Books having arrived, Mr. Blake called for the special assignment, and moved that the minority report be substituted for the majority report, and that it be amended to read as follows: —

Metric system.

Ordered, That instruction in the metric system be given in all classes of the Grammar Schools, and in the form of object-teaching in the Primaries, and that the necessary apparatus be furnished; such instruction to be commenced Jan. 1, 1878.

Mr. Learnard moved to amend the majority report to read as follows: —

Ordered, That instruction in the metric system be given by the regular teachers of the school to the first

class of the Grammar Schools, and that the necessary apparatus be furnished.

Mr. James Morse moved the previous question.

Passed.

Mr. Blake's amendment to the minority report was lost, 6 to 14.

The motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report was rejected.

Mr. Learnard's motion to amend the majority report passed.

The majority report was accepted, and the order as amended passed.

Reports of Com. on Rules and Regulations; regulations Normal School; rules amended.

Mr. Finney, for the committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Sept. 11 — the order relating to the appointment of instructors in the Normal School, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Ordered, That Section 276 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by inserting after the word "pupils" in the sixth line, — "An additional instructor may be elected for an excess of twenty pupils; and one may be removed for a deficiency of twenty."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Special grade certificates.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, who were instructed — Sept. 11 — to consider the expediency of amending Section 147, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 147 be amended by inserting after the first sentence of the paragraph, headed "Special Grade," the following: "Any candidate for a vacancy requiring the appointment of a teacher of special grade, shall be examined upon the request of the committee in charge, in such manner as the Committee on Examinations may approve."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Committee on Truant Officers.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Truant Officers, in accordance with the requirements of the Rules and Regulations, submitted a report of the work of the truant force during the past year:—

The whole number of cases investigated, 17,297; found to be truants, 2,980; put into school, 512; complained of as habitual truants, 151; as absentees, 41; as neglected children, 76; for other offences, 29. Of these cases the number put on probation was 77; sentenced to the House of Reformation, 143; Almshouse School, 67; State Reform School, 3; Industrial School for Girls, 2; House of Industry, 2; fined $10 and costs, 1.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Flint, it was

Amendment proposed; special examinations by Board of Supervisors.

Voted, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations consider the expediency of amending the Rules by inserting at the end of Section 87: —

"In like manner the Board of Supervisors shall specially examine, and, if found qualified, grant the proper certificate to any candidate for a vacancy in a subordinate position, who is not actually employed in teaching, upon the request of the committee in charge, where the vacancy exists, approved by the Committee on Nominations."

Special assignment; minority report, Com. on Corporal Punishment.

The hour for the consideration of the minority report of the Special Committee on Corporal Punishment, having arrived, Mr. Hobbs called for the special assignment.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the consideration was postponed until half-past nine o'clock.

Amendment proposed; Submasters Latin School.

On motion of Mr. Flint, for the committee on High Schools, it was

Voted, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider the expediency of allowing six sub-masters in the Public Latin School.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, offered the following orders: —

Maximum salary to Joseph W. Chadwick.

Ordered, That the maximum salary of master be paid to Joseph W. Chadwick, from and after Sept. 1, in consideration of his long connection with the Latin School, and of his four years' service as master.

Maximum salary to H. Winslow Warren.

Ordered, That the maximum salary of sub-master be granted to H. Winslow Warren, in the English High School, in consideration of his long services in the West Roxbury High and the Charlestown High Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Uniform course of study for three years in High Schools, amended.

Mr. Flint, for the same committee, submitted an amendment to the uniform course of study for three years in the High Schools, as follows: —

Ordered, That the three years' course of study in Mathematics for the High Schools, be changed to the following,—

MATHEMATICS.

FIRST YEAR.

Five hours a week.

1. Algebra (four hours).
2. Principles of Arithmetic, with practical instruction in the Metric System (one hour). See Note F.

SECOND YEAR.

Five hours a week.

1. Shorter Course. Plane Geometry and Plane Trigonometry, with simple applications; also, the properties and mensuration of certain solids (four hours).

Or

1. Longer Course. Plane Geometry and Plane Trigonometry (four hours). See Note G.

2. Book-keeping by Double Entry, with Commercial Arithmetic (one hour). See Note H. — *Or* — 2. Zoölogy, including Human Anatomy and Physiology (one hour).

THIRD YEAR.

Four hours a week. — *and either* — *Two hours a week.* — *Or* — *Two hours a week.*

Latin, French or German begun — *and either* — Solid Geometry and Mensuration. See Note G. — *Or* — Zoölogy (continued) till Mar. 1; and Botany (continued from first year,) after Mar. 1.

Or

Six hours a week.

1. Latin, French or German begun (three hours).
2. The language studied two years, to be continued (three hours).

NOTE F. The study of Arithmetic is, so far as practicable, to be united with the study of Algebra.

NOTE G. (1) Those pupils that elect the shorter course in Mathematics will drop that study at the close of the second year, and will continue either Natural Science or the language already studied two years. (*a*) If they elect Natural Science for the third year, they will drop the language studied two years, will give four hours a week to the language begun the third year, and two hours a week to Natural Science. (*b*) If, on the other hand, they continue the language already studied two years, they will give to it three hours a week, and to the language begun three hours a week.

(2) Those pupils that elect the longer course in Mathematics will, at the close of the second year, drop the language studied two years, will give four hours a week to the language begun the third year, and two hours a week to Mathematics.

(3) Pupils pursuing for the third year either Mathematics or Natural Science can, with the consent of the Principal, continue as an *extra* study the language already pursued two years.

NOTE H. Pupils intending to pursue the shorter course in Mathematics or to enter the Normal School are advised to elect Zoölogy.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Normal School, it was

Normal School; special teacher.

Voted, That the Normal School Committee have authority to appoint a special teacher of Illustrative Drawing, Penmanship, and Elementary Methods, it being understood that this special teacher takes the place of an additional assistant to which the Normal School is now entitled.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, it was

Copies of Normal-School Catalogue.

Voted, That the Committee on the Normal School be authorized to print 600 additional copies of the Catalogue of the Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Winship, for the Eighth Division Committee, it was

Bennett School; additional teacher.

Voted, That the Committee on Nominations consider the expediency of nominating an additional teacher for the Bennett School, in consequence of the inconvenience attending the instruction in that school with the present number of teachers.

Mr. Winship, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the maximum salary for masters be paid to G. W. M. Hall, of the Allston School, to date from Sept. 3, 1877. Maximum salary of G. W. M. Hall.

Referred to Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Winship, it was

Voted, That the City Council be requested to grade and put in suitable condition the grounds of the High School building in Brighton, and also to construct proper walks leading to the school building. Brighton High School; com. to City Council.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That this Board unanimously request the City Council to make some immediate arrangement whereby the Allston School may be provided with suitable accommodations, as the increase of the number of pupils belonging to said school has already outgrown the rooms provided by the city. Allston School; com, to City Council.

Passed, unanimously, under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Winship, it was

Voted, That the Committee on Accounts consider the expediency of providing a suitable map of the School Districts for the use of the members of the Board. Map of School Districts.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, leave of absence for six months, from Sept. 1, 1877, was granted to Fannie B. Dewey, fourth assistant in the Brimmer District. Leave of absence to Fanny B. Dewey.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That N. H. Whittemore, usher in the Quincy School, be paid the maximum salary of usher from the commencement of his term of service as usher in said school. Maximum salary to N. H. Whittemore.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Accounts, offered the following: —

Temporary teachers to be paid.

Ordered, That such temporary teachers as were, in conformity with our rules, engaged in teaching in the schools at the close of the last school year, and are now employed in the same positions, be placed on the rolls and paid such compensation as is provided by the rules.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Hayes, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following: —

Sessions of Evening schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Evening Schools be authorized to suspend the sessions of any Evening School at such times as the committee may deem proper.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Report of Committee on Text-Books; text-books for High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the supplementary report of the Committee on Text-Books, authorized by vote of the Board, Sept. 11, containing a list of text-books for High Schools, was considered; the text-books recommended to be used in all the High Schools, excepting the Latin School; those which displace any other book to be introduced only as new classes are formed.

Under a division of the question, Mr. Finney moved the adoption of the following-named books: —

Heretofore authorized in all the High Schools: —

Lowell's Vision of Sir Launfal.
Milton's Poems.
Shakespeare.
Martin's Civil Government.

Heretofore authorized in three of the High Schools: —

Haven's Rhetoric. English, Girls' High, Roxbury.

Bocher's Series of College Plays. English, Roxbury, West Roxbury.

Passed unanimously.

The Board proceeded with the report. The books named in the two succeeding paragraphs were considered.

Heretofore authorized in two of the High Schools: —

Walter Scott. Selections from poems and prose works. Girls' High and Dorchester.

Oliver Goldsmith. Selections from poems and prose. Girls' High and Dorchester.

Addison. Selections from The Spectator. Girls' High and Dorchester.

Goethe's Hermann und Dorothea. Girls' High and Roxbury.

Schiller's William Tell. Girls' High and Roxbury.

Heretofore authorized in one of the High Schools: —

Irving's Sketch Book, selections from. Girls' High.

Longfellow's poems, selections from. Girls' High.

Lacombe. La petite histoire du peuple français. English High.

Taine. Notes sur l'Angleterre. English High.

Souvestre. Au coin du feu. West Roxbury.

Souvestre. Philosophe sous les toits. Girls' High.

Lessing's Minna von Barnhelm. Girls' High.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the list was amended by inserting in each case, after the word "selections," the words "as may be authorized by the Committee on High Schools."

On motion of Mr. Finney, the list was amended by striking out the schools in which the books were heretofore authorized.

The list, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the following list was adopted: —

The following are recommended for INTRODUCTION *into all the High Schools:* —

Swinton's Outlines of the World's History.
Saintine. Picciola.
Achard. Le Clos Pommier.
De Vigny. Cinq Mars.
Feuillet. Roman d'un jeune homme pauvre.
Erckmann-Chatrian. Le conscrit de 1813.
" " Histoire d'un paysan.
" " Madame Thérèse.
" " Histoire d'un homme du peuple.
Dumas. La Tulipe noir.
" Vie de Napoleon.
Verne. Voyage autour du monde en 80 jours.
Assolant. Récits de la vielle France.
Malot. Romain Kalbris.
Sand. Nanon.
" Contes d'une grand'mère.
Guizot. Civilization en Europe.
Duruy. Histoire du France.
Thierry. Lettres sur l'histoire de France.
Feuillet. Mémoires du Cardinal de Retz.
About. Le Roi des Montagnes.
Plutarque. Grecs illustres. } Edition abrégée; Ha-
" Romains illustres. } chette, Paris.
Balladenbuch.
Grimm's Mährchen.
Musäus Volksmährchen.
Tieck's Elfen, and Der blonde Eckbert.
Schiller's Don Carlos.
" Jungfrau von Orleans.
Tieck's Der gestiefelter Kater.
Zschokke's stories.
Hofmann's Fräulein von Scudery.

The following order, reported by the committee, was next considered: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School, and that Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the other High Schools.

Mr. Flint moved to amend by substituting for the words "the other" in the last line the words "all the."

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved that it be amended to read as follows: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry, Greenleaf's Trigonometry, Bradbury's Geometry, and Bradbury's Trigonometry be authorized in all the High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the report was laid on the table.

Records of last meeting; amendment proposed.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the order approving the records of the last meeting was reconsidered.

Mr. Hutchins moved to amend the records by adding the words "Dorchester High School" to the second and fourth lines on page 128 of the minutes. The motion was lost, it appearing that the omission was an error in the report of the Committee on Text-Books, and not in the minutes, which were then approved, as in print.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the action of the Board, page 128 of the minutes, by which the following orders were adopted, was reconsidered: —

1. That Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, Brighton, Charlestown, and Girls' High Schools.

2. *Ordered*, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School.

Mr. Godfrey Morse then moved to substitute for the orders the following: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School, and that Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the other High Schools.

On motion, the subject was laid on the table.

Leave of absence to Mary E. Allen and Lucy J. Lothrop.

On motion of Mr. Porter, for the First Division Committee, leave of absence for one month was granted to Mary E. Allen, first assistant in the Chapman District; and to Lucy J. Lothrop, third assistant in the Lyman District, until Jan. 1, 1878.

Special assignment; minority report Committee on Corporal Punishment.

On motion of Miss May, the minority report of the Special Committee on Corporal Punishment was specially assigned for consideration at half-past eight o'clock of the evening of the next regular meeting.

Report of Committee on Licensed Minors.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Licensed Minors, asked for further time in which to make their report, which should have been presented at this meeting.

Granted.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at twenty minutes before eleven o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Oct. 9, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except the President, Miss May, and Messrs. W. P. Adams and Thayer.

On motion of Mr. Plummer, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: — Report of Com. on Nominations.

ON PROBATION.

Normal School. — Bertha W. Hintz, special teacher of Illustrative Drawing, etc., from Oct. 1, 1877. Nomination of teachers.

Latin School. — Prospère Morand, special teacher of French, from Oct. 15, 1877.

Girls' High School. — S. Annie Shorey, third assistant, from Sept. 1, 1877, and Lizzie L. Smith, fourth assistant, from October 1, 1877.

Bowdoin District. — Alice T. Smith, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Brimmer District. — L. H. Shaw, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Lowell District. — E. Josephine Page, second assistant, from Sept. 4, 1877.

Minot District. — Nathalia Bent, fourth assistant, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Phillips District. — Louie H. Hinckley, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Quincy District. — Mary E. Conley, fourth assistant, from Oct. 15, 1877.

Warren District. — Cora A. Wiley, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Eliot District. — Julius H. Tuttle, usher, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Harvard District. — Josephine E. Copeland, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Accepted.

Nomination of M. C. Brawley.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the nomination of Margaret C. Brawley, assistant in Chemical and Physical Laboratories, Girls' High School, term of service beginning Sept. 5, 1877.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

Transfer of Florence Marshall.

On motion of Mr. Finney, for the same committee, it was

Voted, That Florence Marshall be transferred, at her own request, from the rank of second assistant to that of third assistant in the Rice Training School, the same to take effect Oct. 1, 1877.

Reports of Com. on Rules and Regulations; Section 9, Chapter 38.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred the order — Sept. 11 — relating to the provisions of Section 9, Chapter 38, of the General Statutes, reported that in their opinion said section has been complied with in this city.

Accepted.

Sub-masters; Latin School.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order — Sept. 25 — to consider the expediency of allowing six sub-masters for the Public Latin School, reported that, having considered the subject, they recommend the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That Section 246 of the Regulations be amended by substituting the following schedule for the present schedule of subordinate teachers for High Schools for boys, to wit: — Rules amended.

Schools.	Master.	Sub-Master.
Boys:		
300 to 500	3	6
500 or more	5	10

All other subordinate instructors shall be ushers.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on Accounts, to whom was referred — September 25 — an order to consider the expediency of providing a suitable map of the School Districts, for the use of the members of the Board, reported that, in the judgment of the committee, it is at present inexpedient to provide the same, the appropriations not being sufficient to meet the expenses of the schools. Report of Committee on Accounts; map of school districts.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, offered the following: — Reports of Committee on Salaries; compensation to Eugene Raymond.

Ordered, That the sum of $65 be paid to Eugene Raymond, teacher of French in the Charlestown High School, that amount being due him through the omission of the date (Sept. 1, 1876) in the order of April 24, 1877, granting him the salary of $700 per annum.

Passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 11 — the order that the salary of the teacher of physical culture in the Girls' Girls' High School; salary of teacher of physical culture.

High School be fixed at $750 a year, from and after September 1, 1877, in consideration of extra services as teacher in other departments, reported that as the salary for the position was fixed in June, this committee has no power to report an increase; but they recommend the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That $150 a year, from and after September 1, 1877, be paid to the teacher of physical culture in the Girls' High School, in consideration of services in the literary department.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Girls' High School; salary of assistant in laboratory.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 11 — the order that the salary of the assistant in the laboratory of the Girls' High School be fixed at $500 for the first year, and $600 for the second and subsequent years, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Maximum salary to G. W. M. Hall.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 25 — the order that the maximum salary be paid to G. W. M. Hall, of the Allston School, reported that it is inexpedient that the order should pass.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Eugene Raymond.

Ordered, That the salary of Eugene Raymond, teacher of French in the English High and Charlestown High Schools, be fixed at the rate of $2,000 per annum, for twenty-four hours a week of actual service.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Maximum salary to Alonzo Meserve.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 11 — the order that the maximum salary of sub-master be paid to Alonzo Meserve, of

the Prescott School, for the quarter ending August 31, 1877, reported that as Mr. Meserve formerly held the rank of sub-master at the maximum salary, being displaced by decrease of numbers, the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Salary of Lydia M. Simpson.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — September 11 — the order that the salary of the second year be paid to Lydia M. Simpson, of the Bunker Hill School, reported that as she is not a graduate of the Normal School, and as this is her first year's service as a regularly-appointed teacher, the order ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Maximum salary to Moses Merrill.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — June 29 — the order that Moses Merrill, head-master of the Latin School, be paid the maximum salary of that grade from September 1, 1877, reported that while they fully appreciate the services of Mr. Merrill, they consider that the fixing of the salary, in June last, of head-master for the first year (this being the first year's service of Mr. Merrill, by his election in June), legally prevents this committee from recommending the passage of this order.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the yeas and nays on the acceptance of the report were ordered: —

Yeas and nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Chapin, Finney, Fletcher, Hobbs, Godfrey Morse, Palmer, and Plummer.

Nays: Miss Peabody, Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Blake, Bowditch, Flint, Hayes, Hutchins, Moran, James Morse, Perkins, Porter, Ryan, and Winship.

Lost, 7 to 13.

Mr. William T. Adams moved the substitution of the original order offered by Mr. James Morse, June 29, for the report of the committee.

Mr. Godfrey Morse raised a point of order that to grant the maximum salary to Mr. Merrill a suspension of the rules would be necessary, in order that the Board might reconsider his election, he having been elected in June last to the position of master for the first year.

The Chair decided that the point was not well taken, since it was not a change of salary that was proposed, — it was the establishment of the rank of Mr. Merrill.

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved that the subject be laid on the table, and the opinion of the City Solicitor obtained.

Lost.

Mr. Godfrey Morse called for the opinion of the Chair on the law providing that the salary of no instructor shall be increased during the school year.

Mr. James Morse asked the opinion of the Chair on the order granting the maximum salary to Alonzo Meserve. The Chair decided that, in the cases of Mr. Merrill and Mr. Meserve, the question for the Board to decide, was not the salary, but the status, of the individual, and this the Board had a right to do.

Mr. Moran called for the previous question, which was ordered.

The motion to substitute the order of Mr. James Morse, —

Maximum salary to Moses Merrill.

Ordered, That Moses Merrill, head-master of the Latin School, be paid the maximum salary of that grade from Sept. 1, 1877, —

was carried by a vote of 13 to 7.

The order then passed.

Maximum salary to H. Winslow Warren.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — Sept. 25 — the order that the maximum salary of sub-master be allowed to H. Winslow Warren in the English High School, reported that, as Mr.

Warren has not yet been nominated by the Board to that position, it is not competent for this committee to report a salary in advance of the nomination, and that the order ought not to pass.

Accepted.

Salaries of truant officers.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 11 — the order fixing the salaries of truant officers, recommended the adoption of the following order: —

Ordered, That the salary of the chief officer be at the rate of $1,260 per annum, and that of the other officers be at the rate of $1,140 per annum, to take effect Oct. 1, 1877.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Maximum salary to Joseph W. Chadwick.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 25 — the order that the maximum salary of master be paid to Joseph W. Chadwick, from and after Sept. 1, 1877, in consideration of his long connection with the Latin School, and of four years' service as master, reported that, as the service of Mr. Chadwick as master was by a vote of the Board, Sept. 20, 1870, by which all the subordinate teachers in that school were given the rank of master, the Board subsequently regrading the teachers to their former rank on account of the expense of salaries, and as he at present holds, by promotion, the rank of master for the first year, the committee recommend that the order ought not to pass.

On motion of Wm. T. Adams, the report was recommitted.

Maximum salary to N. H. Whittemore.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Sept. 25 — the order that N. H. Whittemore, usher in the Quincy School, be paid the maximum salary from the commencement of his term of service, reported, that in consideration of the fact that Mr. Whitte-

more formerly held the position of usher at the maximum salary, and is now transferred to the same rank in the Quincy School, the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Salaries of sub-masters and ushers acting as principals.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was recommitted — June 26 — the order for granting additional salaries to sub-masters and ushers acting as principals, reported that the following order ought to pass : —

Ordered, That all sub-masters and ushers acting as principals in charge of schools shall receive $200 per annum, additional to the regular salary of sub-master and usher.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. James Morse asked if these instructors were not now paid the salaries as fixed by the Board.

The Chair stated that salaries for sub-masters and ushers had been fixed by the Board, but no salary had, until now, been fixed for sub-masters and ushers acting as principals.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated the following-named candidates as assistants in the Evening Schools designated : —

Evening Schools; nomination of teachers.

Evening High School. — R. P. Owen, principal; T. M. Babson, W. S. Hutchinson, C. Jonsen, W. H. Moriarty, Charles E. Stetson, T. Dean, J. W. Keene, W. H. Knight, L. H. Parkhurst, Arthur B. Morong, assistants from Oct. 1, 1877.

East Boston. — Frank E. Dimick, principal; Elma Kenney, Sarah A. Overend, Nellie B. Tucker, Josephine F. Russell, from Oct. 1, 1877; Mary S. Lowe, Laura S. Plummer, Mary A. Palmer, Mary A. Damon, from Oct. 2, 1877; Mary L. Morrisey, from Oct. 8, 1877, assistants.

Jamaica Plain. — William F. Souther, principal; Catherine S. Summers, Annie L. Newcomb, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Eustis Street. — J. M. Hodgate, principal; Emma J. Vose, Abby S. Oliver, Florence J. Drake, Frances W. Gill, Rebecca Coulter, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Cabot Street. — F. L. Washburn, principal; George Oak, Frances T. Kelley, Abbie E. Batchelder, Sarah E. Deane, Agnes Murphy, Mary E. Watson, Sabina Eagan, Hattie D. Mulliken, Mary E. Cunningham, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Neponset. — Justin H. Smith, principal; Winella W. Stratton, Mary E. Guild, Alice M. Cushing, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

South Boston, Lincoln School. — George J. Tufts, principal; Claudine E. Cherrington, Nancy S. French, Mary G. Lanning, Josephine A. Powers, Mary L. Fitzgerald, Ella F. Lanning, Laura Russell, Mary C. Powers, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

South Boston, Montgomery Hall. — J. C. Coombs, principal; Wm. H. Martin, Rufus P. Hubbard, Mary E. Collins, Katie A. Learned, Hannah L. McGlinchy, Emma Crane, Clara Booth, May G. Ezdon, Jennie Mullaly, Kate E. Fitzgerald, Minnie Flynn, Dora Morrison, Carrie T. Hall, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Dorchester. — George H. Marshall, principal; Mary E. Mann, Susie Knott, Frances Newcomb, Ella A. Brown, Thomas F. Shaunessy, J. A. Blair, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Anderson Street. — John A. Bennett, principal, Julia T. Jellison, Mary E. Pitcher, Emma M. Weston, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

North Bennett Street. — Salem D. Charles, principal; Alicia I. Collison, Emma S. Fiske, Mary E. Towle,

Marian A. Flynn, Mary L. Desmond, Honora T. O'Dowd, Bridget E. Scanlan, Francis E. Leahy, Charlotte A. Pike, assistants, from October 1, 1877.

Blossom Street. — Henry A. Parker, principal; Kate Wilson, Mary Murphy, Eudora F. Bickford, Mary L. Morrisey, Ida A. Merriam, Mary L. Bibbey, M. E. Donegan, assistants, from October 1, 1877.

Charlestown-Warren School. — Frances V. Keyes, principal; Josephine E. Copeland, Abby C. McAuliffe, assistants, from October 1, 1877.

Charlestown-Prescott School. — George G. Pratt, principal; Abby S. Hapgood, Carrie W. Travis, John Vaughn, assistants, from October 1, 1877.

Old Franklin School. — Charles K. Cutter, principal; Annie M. Mitchell, Minnie E. Colburn, Rebecca Morrison, Elizabeth O'Connell, E. Lizzie Bryant, Carrie L. Baker, A. E. Esilman, Mary E. Conley, Nellie C. McDermott, Fannie S. O'Connell, Ida F. Taylor, Annie A. E. Fagin, assistants, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Hudson Street. — Frank J. Babcock, principal; L. H. Beck, Annie J. Whelton, Mary A. Carney, Emma R. Gragg, Cornelius Sullivan, Mary E. Wilder, Jennie M. Carney, Nellie M. O'Connor, Louie H. Hinckley, Theresa McIvor, assistants.

Warren-street Chapel. — Wm. G. Babcock, principal.

Mr. Bowditch offered the following: —

Latin and English High School-house; fire-escapes.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses and District Lines be requested to consider the expediency of providing suitable fire-escapes on the building occupied by the Latin and English High Schools.

Read, and referred to Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Bowditch offered the following: —

Ordered, That the $200 extra salary allowed to ushers and sub-masters, acting as principals, be granted to Artemas Wiswall, principal of the Charles Sumner School, and Abner J. Nutter, of the Mt. Vernon School, for the year ending Sept. 1, 1877. Salary of Artemas Wiswall and Abner J. Nutter.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. James Morse, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, reported the resignation of Georgette Custer, third assistant in the Lincoln School, to take effect Oct. 8, 1877. Resignation of Georgette Custer.

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to examine, and, if found competent, to issue a certificate of qualification to J. R. Richardson, William T. Strong, E. M. Chesley, and H. Dame. Certificates to J. R. Richardson, etc.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Examinations, with full powers.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Fourth Division, reported the resignation of Sarah Farley, fourth assistant in the Brimmer District, to take effect October 15, 1877. Resignation of Sarah Farley.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the rank of Eliza A. Foster, teacher of the intermediate class in the Brimmer District, be changed from third assistant to fourth assistant. Rank of Eliza A. Foster.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, reported the names of E. B. Burrill, in the Brimmer District, and Sophronia N. Herrick, in the Bowditch District, as substitutes for longer than three months; also the transfer of Laura M. Stevens from the Quincy to the Brimmer District, to take effect October 15, 1877. Substitutes. Transfer of Laura M. Stevens.

Approved.

Maximum salary to G. W. M. Hall.

Mr. Winship moved a reconsideration of the vote concerning the salary of Mr. Hall, master of the Allston School.

Lost.

Resignation of Ella A. Chester.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the resignation of Ella A. Chester, third assistant in the Comins District, to take effect October 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on Examinations, offered the following: —

Certificate of H. Elizabeth Cutter.

Ordered, That the Supervisors be requested to grant a certificate of service of the fourth grade to H. Elizabeth Cutter, in place of the certificate of service of the fifth grade, now held by her.

Passed.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, offered the following: —

Clerk for Evening High School.

Ordered, That Frederic G. Perry be employed as an assistant in the Evening High School, to perform clerical work, at a salary of $1.25 per night.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Wm. T. Adams offered the following: —

Semi-annual report of Superintendent.

Ordered, That so much of the Superintendent's semi-annual report as refers to supernumerary teachers and substitutes be referred to a Joint Committee of the Committee on Normal School and the Committee on Nominations.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Winship, it was

Report of Committee on Sewing.

Voted, That the Committee on Sewing be granted additional time in which to present their report for the past year.

Mr. Porter offered the following: —

Ordered, That all dropped teachers reappointed during the school year 1876 and 1877 be allowed to commence service at the salary they would have received had they continued in the service. Salary of dropped teachers.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Finney presented 10 petitions for admission of girls to the Public Latin School, as follows: — Petitions for admission of girls to the Public Latin School.

1. John T. Clark and 9 other members of the Board of Aldermen.
2. Geo. B. Emerson and Chas. K. Dillaway.
3. John Kneeland and 13 others.
4. Thomas C. Wales and 31 others.
5. R. C. Greenleaf and 39 others.
6. W. F. Mallalieu and 40 others.
7. O. S. Sanders and 69 others.
8. A. A. Miner and 53 others.
9. William Gray and 17 others.
10. William Read and 55 others.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

The Chair read a petition from L. M. Chase, master of the Dudley School, praying for an investigation of the charges made against him in June last; also, several communications from gentlemen who had endorsed the charges under a misapprehension, and from others.

On motion of Mr. Finney, placed on file.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools offered the following: —

Ordered, That in consideration of long and faithful service, certificates of service of special grade be granted to six assistants in the Warren-street Chapel Evening School to enable them to render service to the city, — J. L. Emmons, A. Nichols, J. T. Vose, Samuel Welch, M. Knight, and L. F. Babcock. Certificates to J. L. Emmons, etc.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Director of Drawing, services of.

Ordered, That the Committee on Drawing be requested to report to this Board what services the Director of Drawing renders to the School Committee, and how many hours in the week he devotes personally to teaching.

Passed.

Mr. Plummer offered the following: —

Maximum salary to Susan A. Slavin.

Ordered, That Susan A. Slavin, fourth assistant in the Emerson District, be paid the maximum salary of her grade from Feb. 19, 1877.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries, with instructions to report at the next regular meeting of the Board.

Majority and minority reports of Com. on Rules and Regulations, on Com. on Supplies; special assignments.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on a Committee on Supplies, were taken from the files and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, with instructions to report at the first regular meeting of the Board in November next.

Report Com. on Corporal Punishment; special assignment.

On motion of Miss Peabody, the report of the Special Committee on Corporal Punishment, specially assigned for half-past eight o'clock, was reassigned for the same hour at the next regular meeting.

Report of Com. on Text-Books; text-books for High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the supplementary report of the Committee on Text-Books on a list of text-books for High Schools was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the action of the Board — September 11 and 25 — with reference to Text-Books for High Schools, was, by unanimous consent, reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the several drafts of text-books for High Schools, as follows, were substituted for the report of the Committee on Text-Books: —

HIGH SCHOOL TEXT-BOOKS.

First Draft.

Books marked with a star (*), such sclections as may be authorized by the Committee on High Schools.

English. (1st year.) — Bain's Brief English Grammar.
Hill's General Rules for Punctuation.
*Irving's Sketch Book.
*Longfellow's Poems.
*Lowell's Vision of Sir Launfal.
*Scott's Poems and Prose.
(2d year.) — Abbott's "How to Write Clearly."
Haven's Rhetoric.
*Goldsmith's Poems and Prose.
*Addison's Prose.
(3d year) — Milton's Poems.
Shakespeare's Plays.

French. (1st, 2d, and 3d years.) — Keetel's Analytical and Practical Grammar.
(1st and 3d years.) — Bôcher's Otto's French Reader.
(2d year.) — Saintine. Picciola.
Achard. Le clos pommier.
De Vigny. Cinq Mars.
Feuillet. Roman d'un jeune homme pauvre.
Erckmann-Chatrian. Le Conscrit de 1813.
" Histoire d'un paysan.
" Madame Thérèse.
" Histoire d'un homme du peuple.
Dumas. La tulipe noir.
" Vie de Napoleon.
Verne. Voyage autour de monde en 80 jours.
Bôcher's series of College plays.
Assolant. Récits de la vieille France.
Malot. Romain Kalbris.

Souvestre. Au coin du feu.
" Philosophe sous les toits.
(3d year.) — Sand. Nanon.
Sand. Contes d'une grand'mère.
Taine. Notes sur l'Angleterre.
Guizot. Civilization en Europe.
Duruy. Histoire de France.
Thierry. Lettres sur l'histoire de France.
Feuillet. Mémoires du Cardinal de Retz.
(3d year.) — About. Le roi des montagnes.
Plutarque. Grecs illustres. } Edition abrégée.
" Romains illustres. } Hachette, Paris.
Lacombe. La petite histoire du peuple français.
Bôcher's series of College plays.

German. (1st year). — Otto's Grammar for those beginning German the first year.
(1st and 3d years.) — Balladenbuch.
(2d year.) — Grimm's Mährchen.
Musäus Volksmährchen.
Tieck's Elfen, and Der blonde Eckbert.
Goethe's Hermann und Dorothea.
Schiller's William Tell.
(3d year.) — Schiller's Don Carlos.
Schiller's Jungfrau von Orleans.
Lessing's Minna von Barnhelm.
Tieck's Der gestiefelter Kater.
Zschokke's stories.
Hofmann's Fräulein von Scudery.

Latin. (3d year.) — Virgil. (Any edition.)

History. (1st, 2d, and 3d years.) — Swinton's Outlines of the World's History.
(3d year.) — Martin's Civil Government.

Mathematics. (1st year.) — Apparatus to illustrate the Metric System. One set to each High School, at

an expense not exceeding fifteen dollars for each school.

Bradbury's Eaton's Algebra.

(2d year.) — Comer's Book-keeping by Double Entry.

Physics. (2d and 3d years.) — Norton's Natural Philosophy.

Astronomy. (3d year.) — Kiddle's Astronomy.

Chemistry. (3d year.) — Eliot and Storer's Elementary Manual of Chemistry, edited by Nichols.

Botany. (1st and 3d years.) — Gray's School and Field Book of Botany.

Zoölogy. (2d and 3d years.) — Morse's Zoölogy.

Physiology. (3d year.) — Hutchison's Physiology.

Second Draft.

"ADVANCED" CLASSES OF THE ENGLISH HIGH AND GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOLS.

ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

The following text-books are used, or will be used during the school-year 1877-78, having been adopted and allowed in former years: —

French. — Corneille's Cid.

German. — Goethe's Faust.

* Hermann und Dorothea.

* Schiller's William Tell.

Mathematics. — Greenleaf's Trigonometry.

Loomis's Navigation.

Peck's Analytical Geometry.

Chemistry. — Eliot and Storer's Qualitative Analysis.

Physics. — Ganot's Physics.

Peck's Mechanics.

GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

English. — Selections from Chaucer, from Shakespeare, and from Milton.

French. — Herrig's La France Littéraire.

Latin. — Cicero, Virgil, and Horace (any edition).

Mathematics. — Bradbury's Elements of Geometry and Trigonometry.

Chemistry. — Henry B. Hill's Lecture Notes on Qualitative Analysis.

Astronomy. — Kiddle's Astronomy.

Psychology. — Noah Porter's Elements of Intellectual Science.

Third Draft.

Text-books in use in 1876, and not displaced by action of the Board : —

Latin. — Allen and Greenough's Latin Grammar and Reader, Roxbury, West Roxbury, and Brighton.

Harkness' Latin Grammar and Reader. Girls' High, Charlestown High, and Brighton.

Latin School Series 1 and 2. Girls' High, Brighton, Charlestown.

Leighton's Latin Lessons. West Roxbury, Brighton.

Harkness' Latin Books. Dorchester and Brighton.

Cæsar's Commentaries. Roxbury and Brighton.

Prose Composition. Brighton and Charlestown.

Whitney's German Reader. Girls' High School.

English. (1st, 2d, and 3d years.) — Worcester's Comprehensive Dictionary.

(2d and 3d years.) — Macaulay's Essays.

(3d year.) — Bacon's Essays.

French. — Spiers and Surenne's Dictionary (octavo).

German. — Köhler's German Dictionary.
Music. — Eichberg's High School Music Reader.
Drawing. — American Text-books of Art Education.

Fourth Draft.

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School, and that Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the other High Schools.

Mr. Flint moved to amend by substituting for the words "the other," in the last line, the words "all the."

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved that it be amended to read as follows: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry, Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry, be authorized in all the High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, page 128 of the minutes was reconsidered.

1. *Ordered*, That Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, Brighton, Charlestown, and the Girls' High Schools.

2. *Ordered*, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High Schools.

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved that the report of the Committee on Text-Books be taken from the table, and that the order on page 5 of the report be substituted: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School, and that Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the other High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the subject was laid on the table.

Ordered, That one Fitz Globe and six copies of Fitz's Hand-Book be authorized in each High School.

Fifth Draft.

The following books and orders were rejected, in School Committee, Sept. 11, 1877 : —

Whitney's German Grammar, for those beginning German the third year.

Whitney's German Reader, for all the High Schools.

Latin School Series, Vols. I. and II., for all the High Schools.

Ordered, That Allen and Greenough's Latin Grammar be used in all the High Schools in which Latin is taught, not including the Latin School, the same to be introduced into the Girls' High, Dorchester, and the Charlestown High Schools, only as new classes are formed.

Ordered, That Allen's new Latin method be introduced into all the High Schools in which Latin is taught, not including the Latin School, as new classes are formed.

Sixth Draft.

1. *Ordered*, That no others than the foregoing text-books adopted for the use of pupils pursuing the uniform course of study in the High Schools be authorized, excepting such text-books as have been previously authorized, and are in use at the present time; the use of the same being hereby authorized for the present school year.

2. *Ordered*, That the Committee on High Schools be instructed to arrange as soon as possible the books adopted in Drafts 3, 4, and 5, according to the uniform course of study.

3. *Ordered*, That the lists of High, Grammar, and Primary School Text-books, as at present authorized by this Board, be printed. Lists of text-books to be printed.

The final action upon the several drafts was as follows: —

On motion of Mr. Finney, the first and second drafts were adopted and unanimously passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the third draft was amended by including the English High among those schools using Harkness' Latin Grammar and Reader.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the word Harkness' was prefixed to "Cæsar's Commentaries" and "Prose Composition."

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, Bacon's Essays and Macaulay's Essays were limited by the phrase "such selections as may be authorized by the Committee on High Schools."

The third draft, as amended, passed unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the following order was accepted for the whole of the fourth draft: —

Ordered, That Chauvenet's Geometry and Greenleaf's Trigonometry be used in the English High School, and that Bradbury's Geometry and Bradbury's Trigonometry be used in the other High Schools.

Passed.

No book on the fifth draft was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, Order 1 in the sixth draft was amended by striking out all after the word "authorized" in the fourth line.

The sixth draft, as amended, passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the several drafts, as amended, were adopted as a whole.

Metric System; Latin School.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Voted, That apparatus to illustrate the Metric System be provided for the use of the Public Latin School.

Petition for certificates.

The Chair read a petition from ten ladies, formerly teachers in Evening Schools, praying that, in consideration of long and efficient service, certificates of special service be granted to them.

Referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

On motion of Mr. James Morse, the Board adjourned at half-past ten o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Oct. 23, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except the President and Messrs. Blake and Hayes.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Reports of Com. on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Latin School. — William Gallagher, Jr., sub-master, from Oct. 10, 1877; John K. Richardson, sub-master, from Sept. 5, 1877; Frank W. Freeman, sub-master, E. M. Chesley, usher, and William T. Strong, usher, from Sept. 1, 1877.

English High School. — Henry Dame, sub-master, from Sept. 1, 1877; H. Winslow Warren, sub-master, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Roxbury High School. — Alla W. Foster, fourth assistant, from Nov. 1, 1877.

Charlestown High School. — Leroy F. Griffin, usher, from Sept. 1, 1877.

Exeter-st. School. — Alice Dickey, third assistant, from Oct. 22, 1877.

Comins School. — Rebecca Morrison, third assistant, from Oct. 1, 1877.

Dudley (Boys) School. — Mary E. Watson, fourth assistant, from Oct. 22, 1877.

Lowell School. — O. Augusta Welch, fourth assistant, from Oct. 4, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Latin School. — Ambrose C. Richardson, usher, from Sept. 20, 1877.

Dwight District. — Ida A. Merriam, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Emerson School. — Ida Halliday, third assistant, from Sept. 3 to Oct. 25, 1877.

Frothingham District. — Abby S. Hapgood, fourth assistant, from Oct. 22, 1877.

Lyman School. — Ella L. Burbank, third assistant, from Sept. 3 to Oct. 19, 1877.

Quincy School. — Nellie B. Tucker, third assistant, from Sept. 4, 1877.

Accepted.

W. Rox. High School; teacher of French.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported for nomination the name of M. C. Ladreyt, special teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School; term of service to commence Oct. 27, 1877.

Approved.

H. Elizabeth Cutter; transfer of.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the transfer of H. Elizabeth Cutter, fourth assistant in the Warren District, to the position of third assistant in the Emerson District; to take effect Oct. 25, 1877.

Approved.

Bennett School; additional teacher.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, who were instructed — Sept. 25 — to consider the expediency of nominating an additional teacher for the Bennett School, reported that it is inexpedient to authorize the appointment.

Accepted.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, who were instructed — Sept. 25 — to consider the expediency of amending Section 87, reported that it is inexpedient to amend the section in the manner proposed. Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; special examinations by Board of Supervisors.

Accepted.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, reported the resignation of James Dike, usher in the Latin School, to take effect Oct. 24, 1877. James Dike; resignation of.

Accepted.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Examinations, to whom was referred — Oct. 9 — the order to consider the expediency of granting certificates of service of special grade to John L. Emmons, A. Nichols, J. T. Vose, Samuel Weltch, M. Knight, and L. F. Babcock, teachers in the Warrenton-street Evening School, reported that, in their judgment, the certificates should be so granted. Report of Com. on Examinations; certificate to J. L. Emmons, etc.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Thayer, for the same committee, offered the following order: —

Ordered, That in consideration of long and efficient service in the schools of this city previous to June, 1875, a temporary certificate of the fourth grade be granted to L. M. Pendleton, the certificate to be available until the next annual examination by the Board of Supervisors. Temporary certificate to L. M. Pendleton.

Passed.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors, submitted a report, as follows: — Report of Com. on Schools for Licensed Minors.

"The committee having in charge the Schools for Licensed Minors respectfully report that these schools are two in number, located respectively in North Margin st. and East-st. place.

The former school numbers forty pupils, nearly all of whom are Italians, of whom thirty are licensed as boot-blacks, five as peddlers, three as keepers of street-stands,

and two as newsboys. Their ages range from nine to sixteen years.

The school in East-st. place numbers twenty-four pupils, all of whom are newsboys, and nearly all of Irish parentage.

Your committee, in their last annual report, submitted their hope that soon steps might be taken to extend the opportunities of this class of schools to girls; but legal difficulties stand in the way of such action at present, although it would seem in the highest degree desirable that the large class of girls who are kept from the common schools by necessities of home economy should have coëqual privileges of education with boys.

These schools are under the sole charge of their individual teachers; and as the quality of their work and the punctuality of attendance have suffered somewhat from the lack of a proper supervision and classification, and as some boys are in each school who apparently should be in the regular Grammar School, it seems expedient to the committee, upon the suggestion of the supervisor who has visited the schools, that they should be placed under the superintendence of the masters of the districts within whose territories they are located.

Your committee, therefore, ask for the passage of the following order: —

Schools for Licensed Minors — additional supervision.

Ordered, That the School for Licensed Minors, in North Margin st., be hereafter in charge of the principal of the Eliot District, and that in East-st. place in charge of the principal of the Bowditch District, subject, as heretofore, to the general supervision of the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors."

Report accepted, and the order referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Reports of Com.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, to

whom was referred — Oct. 9 — the order that all dropped teachers reappointed during the school year 1876–77 be allowed to commence service at the salary they would have received had they continued in the service, reported that the order ought to pass. on Salaries; salary of dropped teachers.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 9 — the order that Susan A. Slavin, fourth assistant in the Emerson District, be paid the maximum salary of her grade from Feb. 19, 1877, reported that the order ought to pass. Maximum salary to Susan A. Slavin.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was recommitted — Oct. 9 — the report on the order that the maximum salary of master be paid to Joseph W. Chadwick, from and after Sept. 1, 1877, in consideration of his long connection with the Latin School, and of his four years' service as master, reported that the order ought to pass. Maximum salary to Joseph W. Chadwick.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on Kindergarten Schools, reported the name of Helen E. Hawkins for appointment as assistant in the Kindergarten School; term of service to commence Oct. 8, 1877. Nomination of Helen E. Hawkins.

Confirmed.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School-Houses, who were requested — Oct. 9 — to consider the expediency of providing fire-escapes for the building occupied by the Latin and English High Schools, reported that the building in question is one in which a panic resulting from an alarm of fire would be attended with peculiar peril, owing to the construction of the staircases, which would allow a descending crowd to press dangerously against each other and against the railing. With a view of diminishing, as Report of Com. on School Houses; fire-escapes for Latin and Eng. High Schools.

far as possible, the dangers likely to arise in case of fire, the committee recommend the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable fire-escapes on the building occupied by the Latin and English High Schools in Bedford street.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, it was

Leave of absence to Sarah E. Haskins, and Henrietta M. Young.

Voted, That leave of absence until the spring of 1878 be granted to Sarah E. Haskins, fourth assistant in the Comins District, and leave of absence until Jan. 1, 1878, be granted to Henrietta M. Young, third assistant in the Lewis School.

Mr. Winship, for the Eighth Division Committee, offered the following: —

Allston School; plan of building.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to present to this Board, for its approval, a plan of the building to be erected for the use of the Allston School.

Passed.

Resignation of Mary E. Johnston.

Mr. W. P. Adams, for the Sixth Division Committee, reported the resignation of Mary E. Johnston, fourth assistant in the Bigelow District, to take effect Oct. 15, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, it was

Boundary lines of Hillside, Lewis, and Lowell Districts.

Voted, That the Committee on School Houses consider the expediency of making certain changes in the boundary lines of the Hillside, Lewis, and Lowell Districts.

Com. from E. Worthen James and others.

The Chair read a communication from E. Worthen James and twenty-nine others, praying for the re-establishment of the morning session only, on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The Chair read a petition signed by William Claflin and David Patten, in behalf of the trustees of Boston University, praying that the same provision be made for the classical education of girls in the Boston Latin School as is now made for boys. Petition of William Claflin and David Patten.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

The Chair read a petition signed by T. B. Witherspoon and thirteen others, and a duplicate signed by Lyman Mason and seven others, asking that immediate provision be made for such girls as are now ready to begin a course of study preparatory for admission to college, and who are above the age required for admission to the Boston Latin School. Petition of T. B. Witherspoon and others.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to organize a class for girls who are desirous to prepare for college, and to employ a competent teacher for the same, with the rank and salary of sub-master. Class for girls preparing for college.

Mr. Hutchins moved an amendment placing the class under the charge of the head-master of the Latin School.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the subject was referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Mr. Chapin offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to enlarge the yard of the Andrew School, by taking land heretofore approved by this Board through its proper committee. Yard of Andrew School.

Passed.

The Chair read petitions praying that the same provision may be made for the classical education of girls in the Boston Latin School as is now made for boys, signed by Petitions for admission of girls to Latin School.

1. I. H. Chadwick and J. B. Thomas.
2. A. S. Twombly and thirty-seven others.

3. Jacob Sleeper and twenty-two others.

4. Abram E. Cutter and twelve others,

5. S. K. Gage and thirty-two others.

Referred to the Committee on High Schools.

Committee appointed on Annual Report.

Mr. Finney moved that a committee of three, with the Vice-President as chairman, be appointed to prepare the Annual Report.

The Chair asked to be excused, as his numerous duties prevented his giving to it the requisite time.

The Chair asked permission to read the following: —

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare the Annual Report of the School Board for the year 1877.

Passed, under a suspension of the rules.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Flint and Finney, and Miss Peabody as the committee to prepare the Annual Report.

Approved.

Report of Com. on Text-books; text-books for Latin and High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the Board unanimously voted to reconsider its action on a list of text-books for High and Latin Schools, contained in the Fifth Draft.

Mr. Thayer moved that the following orders be substituted for the Fifth Draft (Minutes, page 166): —

Ordered: —

1. That in all the High Schools, Whitney's German Grammar be authorized for the use of pupils beginning the study of German the third year.

2. That in all the High Schools the use of Whitney's German Reader be authorized.

3. That in all the High Schools the following and no other text-books in Latin are authorized for the use of pupils pursuing the three years' course of study: either Harkness's Latin Grammar and Harkness's new Latin Reader, or Allen & Greenough's Latin Grammar and Allen's New

Latin Method, — the choice to be made by each principal before November 1st. Latin School Series, Vols. I. and II. Virgil (any edition).

The motion for substitution was passed.

Orders No. 1 and 2 passed unanimously.

Mr. Hutchins moved a division of the question on Order No. 3.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins that part of the order relating to the Latin School series and Virgil was first considered.

The order for the Latin School series, Vols. I. and II., passed.

The order for Virgil, passed.

Mr. Hutchins moved to amend the remainder of Order No. 3 by substituting the following: —

Ordered, That the text-books in Latin, authorized in the several High Schools for 1876 and 1877 be authorized for 1877 and 1878.

Mr. Finney moved to amend so as to read "Latin Grammar, and Reader," in place of "the text-books in Latin."

Passed.

Miss May called for the special assignment (the report of the Special Committee on Corporal Punishment), the time for the consideration of the same having arrived.

Mr. Thayer moved its postponement until nine o'clock.

Passed.

The subject of text-books being again before the Board Mr. James Morse called for the previous question, which was ordered.

Mr. Hutchins' order, as amended on motion of Mr. Finney, was substituted for the first part of Order No. 3, and the entire Order No. 3 passed as follows: —

Ordered, That in all the High Schools the Latin Grammar and Reader in use for the school year 1876 and '77 be continued in use for the school year 1877 and '78, and with the Latin School Series, Vols. I. and II., and Virgil (any edition), shall be the only authorized text-books in Latin for the use of the pupils pursuing the three years' course of study.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following: —

List of reference books in Latin and High Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Text-Books be authorized to revise the list of reference books — as printed for 1876 — for the Latin and High Schools and report thereon to the Board as soon as possible, in order that the list may contain such books as are necessary for the schools in pursuing the uniform course of study.

Passed.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following: —

Authorized lists of text-books.

Ordered, That Document No. 24, containing lists of text-books for Primary, Grammar, High, Latin, and Normal Schools, with the reference books and philosophical apparatus for Grammar Schools, and the revised list of reference books for High and Latin Schools, be the only authorized lists for the several schools until otherwise ordered.

Laid on the table.

Mr. W. T. Adams offered the following: —

Additional teacher in Tileston School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Nominations be instructed to consider the expediency of allowing an additional third assistant in the Tileston Grammar School, for the reason that the present organization of the school requires the principal to instruct three classes, including the graduating class; or whether or not "the proper grading of the school," as indicated in Sect. 226, Art. 4, requires such excess.

Passed.

Miss May called for the special assignment. Special assignment.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, it was postponed for one minute.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, it was

Voted, That leave of absence until Jan. 1, 1878, be granted to Ellen A. Pratt, third assistant in the Warren School. Leave of absence to Ellen A. Pratt.

Mr. Chapin, for the Second Division Committee, reported the name of Lydia E. Hapenny as a substitute for longer than three months, in the Warren School. Lydia E. Hapenny, substitute.

Approved.

Mr. Chapin, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional Primary-School accommodations for the Warren and Prescott School Districts. Primary accommodations for Warren and Prescott Districts.

Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Godfrey Morse presented the following communication: —

City Solicitor's Office,
2 Pemberton Square,
Boston, Oct. 23, 1877. Opinion of City Solicitor, on increase of salaries.

Sir, — The question you submit to me, namely, whether the order of the School Committee, passed the 25th ultimo, in regard to the salaries of the Acting Principals of the Free Evening Drawing Schools is a legal order, I have duly considered, and submit the following reply: —

By statute, Sect. 5 of Chap. 241 of the Acts of 1875, it is provided that the School Committee may elect teachers and fix their compensation, "but the salaries established at the commencement of each school year, shall not be increased during such year."

The school year commenced on the first Monday, the third day of September. The salaries in question were fixed prior to that date, and the teachers entered upon their duties and continued to discharge their duties, upon the salaries so fixed, until the date of the order referred to, three weeks and upwards.

In my opinion it was then too late to increase the salaries. It is true that the meeting of the 25th of September was the second adjournment of the meeting of the 29th of June, at which the salaries were fixed, and may for some purposes be considered as a part of the original meeting; but the statute provides for the fixing of the salaries at the commencement of the year, — a definite time, — and not at a meeting holden then, which might perhaps be continued by adjournment from time to time, and still be the same meeting. A contrary construction would put it in the power of School Committees to retain the authority during the whole school year to add to salaries from time to time by successive adjournments of the meeting at which the salaries were fixed, and thus render nugatory the provision of the statute cited.

Very respectfully submitted,

J. P. HEALY.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, it was

Sewing in Wells School.

Voted, That Sewing be introduced into the Third Class of the Wells School, the same being recommended by the Third Division Committee and the Committee on Sewing.

Special assignment; Report of Com. on Corporal Punishment.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the Report of the Committee on Corporal Punishment was now considered.

The amendment to Order No. 1 of the report, proposed by Mr. Learnard (Minutes, page 78), passed.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Wm. T. Adams (Minutes, page 78) was lost.

Order No. 1, as amended, passed by a vote of ten to nine.

Order No. 2 was, on motion of Miss May, referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Palmer, from the Committee on Salaries, reported that the following order, referred to them, ought to pass.

Salaries of sub-masters and ushers acting as principals.

Ordered, That the additional salary of $200 granted to sub-masters and ushers acting as principals, take effect Sept. 1, 1877.

Passed.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following: —

Com. to City Council; steam-heating apparatus in Brimmer School.

Ordered, That the School Board respectfully request the City Council to inform them by whose authority, and for what reasons, steam-heating apparatus has been introduced in the Brimmer School Building, at an estimated expense of $5,000.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Com. on Rules and Regulations to report in print.

Voted, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be authorized to report in print, on the question of a Committee on Supplies.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board adjourned at ten minutes after ten o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Nov. 13, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock.

The President in the chair.

Present: all the members except Mr. Wm. T. Adams.

On motion of Mr. Blake, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Report of Com. on Nominations. Additional teacher in Tileston School.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, who were requested, — October 23, — to consider the expediency of allowing an additional third assistant in the Tileston School, reported it inexpedient that the order should pass.

Accepted.

Transfer of Elsie J. Parker.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the transfer of Elsie J. Parker from the position of third assistant in the Rice Training School, to that of second assistant, the transfer to take effect Oct. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Nomination of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported the nomination on probation of John F. Dwight, as usher in the Lincoln School, from Nov. 1, 1877.

Committee on Supplies.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, requested further time in which to present their report on the "Committee on Supplies."

Mr. Chapin moved to limit the time to the next regular meeting of the Board.

Lost.

The request of the committee was then granted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the regular order of business was suspended, to allow the presentation of an order from the Committee on Examinations.

Mr. Thayer, from the Committee on Examinations, offered the following: —

Temporary certificate to L. M. Pendleton.

Ordered, That the temporary certificate of the fourth grade, granted to L. M. Pendleton, be dated, Oct. 8, 1877.

Passed.

Nomination of teachers.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the nomination as temporary teacher of L. M. Pendleton, third assistant in the Lincoln School, from Oct. 8, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of Rose B. Raycroft.

Mr. Perkins, for the Third Division Committee, reported the resignation of Rose B. Raycroft fourth assistant in the Hancock District, to take effect Dec. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of Sarah J. Bliss.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported the resignation of Sarah J. Bliss, sewing teacher in the Norcross School, to take effect, Oct. 12, 1877.

Accepted.

List of teachers excused from drawing lessons.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, reported the following list of teachers excused from attending drawing lessons, 1877–78: —

M. C. Whippey, E. Brown, M. S. Whitney, Mary L. Gore, A. E. Newall, Lucy M. Small, J. E. Haskell, M. F. Crosby, E. A. Moulton, M. H. Saxon, E. L. Gale, M. A. Jackson, E. F. Calder, J. Leavitt, L. M. Marsh, A. M. Stone, H. G. Turner, S. Garland, E. M. Harrington, A. E. Somes, R. E. Rowe, L. A. Rankin, S. H. Thaxter, A. E. Chase (Normal), M. J. Coburn, C. C. Brown, M. J. Stewart, E. M. Seaverns, L. W. Anderson, Master English High; L. H. Grandgent, Master English High; A. E. Smith, A. T. Head, L. A. Sawyer, S. Shaw, E. L. Tolman, E. F. Doane, A. C. Hudson, T. W. Copeland, R. B. Burgess, A. E. K.

Treadwell, E. M. Simonds, L. M. Wood, M. A. Gore, S. G. Gould, M. R. Brigham, E. L. Pollex, M. J. Capen, O. S. Boothby, M. E. Page, E. P. Morey, E. L. West, M. Stephens, M. F. Neale, A. C. Haslet, H. Litchfield, H. M. Bolman, E. M. Underwood, A. F. Cutter, S. V. Cunningham, M. R. Davis, E. G. Shaw, B. A. DeMerritt, H. L. Manson, K. A. Sawyer, H. M. Coolidge, J. E. Howard, S. Ripley, E. M. Chester, J. O. Hedrick, E. J. Brown, M. G. A. Toland, Geo. K. Daniel, M. F. Winning, E. F. Thomas, S. K. Newell, L. F. Blanchard, E. Swain, M. I. Danforth, E. E. Boies, Lucy R. Woods (Girls High), Augusta Curtis (Girls High), Helen A. Gardner (Roxbury High), Catherine T. Simonds, Franklin; Anna T. Bicknell, Vernon-street Primary; S. C. Chevaillier, Emerson Primary, Wells District; Ruth S. Clapp, K. A. Hanson, M. J. Pope, F. M. Lane, M. E. Davis.

Accepted.

Resignation of Martha J. Porter.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Rice Training School, reported the resignation of Martha J. Porter, third assistant in the Rice Training School, to take effect Nov. 5, 1877.

Accepted.

Mr. Perkins, for the Third Division Committee, submitted the following: —

Room in Anderson-st. School for sewing classes.

Ordered, That the use of a vacant room in the Anderson-street Primary School be granted to certain young ladies, who propose to open a weekly sewing-class for poor children, without expense to the city, and without interfering with the regular school hours and classes.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Normal and Rice Training School, it was

Instruction for teachers.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Normal School

be authorized to provide instruction in the following subjects for teachers in the employ of the city who may desire to attend: Physiology, Psychology, Illustrative Drawing, Penmanship, Reading, Geography, History, and Experiments in Physics; the same to be without expense to the city.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Amendment proposed; regulations Normal School.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by adding the following to Sect. 277: "and no person who has attended this school for more than half a school year shall be allowed to return a second year without special permission from the committee in charge."

Read and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Articles for use of Normal School.

Ordered, That the following articles be furnished for the use of the Normal School: a human skeleton, a manikin, models of the larynx, eye, ear, and heart, and a modelling table.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Lighting rooms of Normal School.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consider the expediency of lighting the rooms used by the Normal School in the Rice School Building, for evening use.

Read and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ventilation of Rice School building.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to consider the expediency of improving the ventilation of the Rice School building.

Read and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the salary of W. Bertha Hintz, teacher of Illustrative Drawing, Penmanship, and Elementary Methods in the Normal School, be that of a third assistant in High Schools, to date from Oct. 22, 1877. Salary of W. Bertha Hintz.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated the following-named candidates as instructors in the Evening Schools designated: —

Warrenton Street. — J. L. Emmons, A. Nichols, J. T. Vose, Samuel Weltch, M. Knight, L. F. Babcock, assistants from Oct. 19. Evening Schools; nomination of teachers.

East Boston. — H. H. Lennon, assistant, from Oct. 22.

Old Franklin School. — Emma E. Chase, John E. Clark, assistants, from Oct. 1.

Jamaica Plain. — Frank L. Wellman, principal, from Oct. 22; Carrie H. Summers, assistant, from Oct. 31.

Charlestown Warren School. — Carrie M. Small, assistant, from Nov. 14.

Blossom Street. — Hattie A. Littlefield, assistant, from Oct. 1, and Mary W. Perry, from Oct. 15.

Confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Voted, That leave of absence for six months from Nov. 5, 1877, be granted to Annie P. James, third assistant in the Brimmer District. Leave of absence to Annie P. James.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported the resignation of O. M. Page, third assistant in the Quincy District, to take effect Sept. 3, 1877. Resignation of O. M. Page.

Accepted.

Death of Edith Adams.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, reported the death of Edith Adams, late third assistant in the Winthrop School; also the appointment of Clara C. Drew as temporary teacher in the Winthrop School since the time of Miss Adams' decease.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred the order concerning the rank of W. Bertha Hintz, reported that the following order ought to pass: —

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of W. Bertha Hintz.

Ordered, That W. Bertha Hintz, special teacher in the Normal School, be paid a salary at the rate of $1,140 per annum, from Oct. 22, 1877.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. W. P. Adams, for the Sixth Division Committee, offered the following: —

Ventilation of Silver-street School.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses be requested to take immediate steps to secure proper ventilation in the Silver-street Primary School, so as to put the building in a fairly healthful condition.

Passed.

Mr. Flint, for the Committee on High Schools, offered the following: —

Latin School for girls.

Ordered That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to organize a Latin School for girls, under the direction of a principal with the rank of master, and with such assistance as the exigencies of the school may require, the school to be located in whatever building the committee may direct.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Petitions against admission of girls to Boston Public Latin School.

The President presented three petitions, signed respectively by Frederick O. Prince and twenty others, Alexander Young and thirty-three others, Henry F. Jenks

and twenty-one others, favoring the establishment of a thorough system of classical instruction for girls, but remonstrating against the admission of girls to the "Boston Public Latin School."

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Appointment of Sarah E. Hamlin as sewing teacher.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported the name of Sarah E. Hamlin, for appointment as sewing teacher in the Norcross School, from Nov. 17, 1877.

Accepted, and the appointment confirmed.

Resignation of Elizabeth S. Morse.

Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, reported the resignation of Elizabeth S. Morse, third assistant in the Lewis School, to take effect Nov. 12, 1877.

Accepted.

Substitutes.

Miss Peabody, for the same committee, reported the names of Sarah H. Robbins and Mary I. Chamberlain as substitutes for more than one month in the Lewis and Comins Districts respectively.

Approved.

Mr. Chapin offered the following: —

Additional Primary School, Warren District.

Ordered, That an additional Primary School be organized in the Warren School District.

Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Report of Com. on School Houses; additional Primary School, Warren District.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred the order for organizing an additional Primary School in the Warren District, reported that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Report of Com. on Drawing.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, presented the Annual Report of that committee, with a request to print the same.

Accepted, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Evening Drawing Schools; head assistants.

Ordered, That, as in every Free Evening Drawing School it is important to have some one person responsible for the preservation of order and the care of the city property, and that to mark his responsibility it is desirable that he should have a special title, and, being required to discharge extra duties, should receive a higher salary than an assistant, the office of head assistant be created in lieu of that of acting principal.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Com. on Truant Officers; leave of absence to Phineas Bates.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Truant Officers, reported, that having considered an application of Phineas Bates, truant officer, for leave of absence for a period of three months, the committee report that, as Mr. Bates has been a faithful officer for thirteen years, and given great satisfaction in the section of the city in which he has served, and as he asks for this leave of absence without pay, the committee are unanimously of the opinion that the request should be granted; they therefore offer the accompanying order,—

Ordered, That leave of absence, without pay, for three months, from Oct. 27, 1877, be granted to Phineas Bates, truant officer.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Nomination of James Bragdon.

Mr. Learnard, for the same committee, reported, that leave of absence for three months from Oct. 27, 1877, having been granted by vote of the Board to Phineas Bates, truant officer, the Committee on Truant Officers nominate James Bragdon as truant officer for a term of three months from said date.

Accepted, and the nomination confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Bowditch, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on the Eighth Division be authorized to permit the teacher of the Primary School on Centre street, West Roxbury, to begin the morning sessions of the school at half-past nine o'clock, from the present date until the March vacation; provided that the hours of instruction be not thereby diminished. Sessions of Centre-street Primary School.

On motion of Mr. Blake, it was

Ordered, That the principals of schools to whom the circulars of the State Board of Health are sent, be requested to answer the interrogatories contained therein, and return them to the Secretary of said Board without unnecessary delay. Circulars State Board of Health.

The Chair read a petition from T. C. Wales, Jr., praying that his children, now attending the Franklin and Rice Schools, be admitted to the Exeter-street School. Petition from T. C. Wales, Jr.

Referred to the Committee on the Fifth Division.

The Chair read a petition from one hundred and sixty residents of Brighton, praying that Bertha Sanger and Nellie A. Hoar (teachers who failed of reëlection in June last) be reinstated as teachers in the public schools of Brighton. Petition from residents of Brighton.

Referred to the Committee on the Eighth Division.

On motion of Mr. Finney, it was

Voted, That the public schools close at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 28, for the day. Holiday for schools.

Mr. Hobbs moved that the motion to reconsider the vote by which the order for a session of the Grammar and Primary Schools on Wednesday afternoon, in place of Saturday morning, was passed, be taken from the table. Wednesday-afternoon sessions.

Carried.

The motion to reconsider was lost.

On motion of Mr. Winship, it was

Ordered, That sewing be introduced into the third class of the Mather School, to date from October 1, 1877; the Sewing in Mather School.

same being recommended by the Committee on the Ninth Division and the Committee on Sewing.

Miss Peabody offered the following: —

Amendment proposed; organization of schools to be considered in filling vacancies.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be requested to consider the expediency of amending the Regulations so as to provide that in case of a vacancy in a subordinate position in the Normal or in any High or Grammar School, the Committee on Nominations, in considering the application of the committee in charge for the nomination of a candidate for the vacancy, shall pay due regard to the existing organization of classes and the proper grading of the school.

Passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Communication to City Council; Brimmer School.

Whereas, Section 6, Chapter 241, of the Acts and Resolves of Massachusetts, provides that "Whenever in the judmgent of the School Committe, a new building or any addition to or alteration of a building is needed for school purposes, of an estimated cost of over one thousand dollars, they shall make a statement in writing to the City Council of the necessity of the proposed building, addition, or alteration; and no contract for the purchase or lease of land, or for the erection, purchase, or lease of any building, or for any addition to or alteration of any building for school purposes, shall be authorized by the City Council until such statement has been made, nor until the locality and plans for the same have been approved by the School Committee, or by a sub-committee thereof duly authorized to approve the same;" and whereas alterations have been made in the Brimmer School building at an estimated cost of over one thousand dollars; and whereas no statement in writing has ever been made by authority of this Board to the City Council of the necessity of the alteration; and whereas no plans for such alteration have ever been

approved by the School Committee, or by a sub-committee thereof duly authorized to approve the same; —

Ordered, That the School Committee respectfully request the City Council to inform them by whose authority, and for what reasons, steam-heating apparatus has been introduced into the Brimmer School building at an estimated expense of $5,000.

Passed.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Rice Training School, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Committee on the Rice Training School be authorized to continue from Nov. 5 until the next regular meeting of the Board, the second division of the sixth class in the Grammar School, the class to be in charge of a temporary teacher.

Rice Training School, second division, sixth class, to be continued.

Mr. Learnard moved to amend by substituting the following: —

Ordered, That all Division Committees be authorized to continue Grammar classes, the regular teachers of which have resigned or left their positions, until the regular meeting of the Board following the resignation or leaving; said classes to be in the charge of temporary teachers.

Division Committees to continue classes.

Passed as amended.

Mr. Bowditch offered the following: —

Ordered, That apparatus for instruction in the use of the Metric System be furnished to the Grammar Schools, at an expense not exceeding fifteen dollars for each school.

Apparatus for Metric System.

Read and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Accounts, reported, that they have made a change in the janitorship of the Adams School by the removal of C. E. Davison, the present janitor.

Change in janitorship of Adams School.

Approved.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board ad journed at twenty minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest :

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Nov. 27, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock. The President in the chair.

Present: all the members except Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Moran, and Ryan.

On motion of Mr. G. Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: — Reports of Com. on Nominations.

ON PROBATION.

Latin School. — Edward P. Jackson, sub-master, from Nov. 12, 1877; and James A. Beatley, usher, from Oct. 22, 1877. Nomination of teachers.

Dudley (Boys') District. — Susie C. Lougee, first assistant, from Nov. 12, 1877.

Harris District. — Cora F. Plummer, fourth assistant, from Dec. 3, 1877.

Lawrence District. — Minnie F. Keenan, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Tileston District. — Hiram M. George, first assistant, from Nov. 7, 1877.

Warren District. — Josephine E. Copeland, fourth assistant, from Oct. 15, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley (Boys') District. — Elizabeth S. Bowman, fourth assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877, to Oct. 24, 1877. Temporary teachers.

Lowell District. — Mary J. Beebe, fourth assistant, from Sept. 18, 1877, to Oct. 3, 1877.

Tileston District. — George C. Shepard, first assistant, from Sept. 19, 1877, to Nov. 2, 1877.

Accepted.

Reports Com. on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, who were instructed to consider the expediency of amending the regulations so as to provide that the Committee on Nominations shall, in certain cases, pay due regard to the existing organization of classes, etc., reported that, in their opinion, the last clause of Article 4 of Section 226 of the present Regulations confers upon the Committee on Nominations the authority sought to be given to that committee, and that it is inexpedient to legislate.

Accepted.

Corporal punishment.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 23 — orders relating to corporal punishment, reported the following orders, accompanied by a request for leave to present, at some future time, additional recommendations on the subject, if it should be deemed desirable so to do.

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 139 be amended by adding the following: "Prominence being given to the ability of teachers to govern pupils by moral rather than by physical force."

Ordered, That printed notice of Section 139, as amended, and of Sections 140 and 185, be sent to all teachers in the service of the city.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

The request of the committee was also granted.

Organization of schools to be considered in filling vacancies.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Nov. 13 — an order for the amendment of Section 277, reported that, in their judgment, the passage of the order is inexpedient.

Accepted.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order of Oct. 23, in relation to the School for Licensed Minors, recommended the adoption of the following order: —

School for Licensed Minors, supervision of; rules amended.

Ordered, That Section 312 be amended by adding the following words: "And shall be under the charge of the principals of the districts in which they are severally situated, subject to the general supervision of the Committee on Licensed Minors."

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred the order relating to the establishment of a Latin School for girls, reported that, as the order was presented by the Committee on High Schools, after much deliberation, and after a number of public hearings on the subject of classical education for girls, it is thought desirable that action should be taken by the Board directly on the subject. They therefore report back the order without recommendation.

Latin School for girls.

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to organize a Latin School for girls, under the direction of a principal with the rank of master, and with such assistance as the exigencies of the school may require, the school to be located in whatever building the committee may direct.

Accepted.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following as a substitute: —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to organize a class for girls who are desirous to prepare for college, and to employ a competent teacher for the same with the rank and salary of sub-master; the course of study for said class, and the direction of the same for the present school year, to be made under the charge of the head-master of the Latin School.

Class for girls preparing for college.

Lost.

Classical education to girls in connection with Latin School.

Miss May offered the following as a substitute: —

Ordered, That the Committee on High Schools be authorized to furnish classical education to girls in connection with the Latin School, and in such rooms as they may deem best suited to the purpose.

Lost.

The order reported by the committee was then passed.

Com. on Supplies.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 9 — the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations — May, 1876 — on a Committee on supplies, submitted a report (Document 26), which, on motion of Mr. Finney, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Finney, leave was granted to the Committee on Rules and Regulations to report further amendments on the same.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Salaries of P. Morand and M. C. Ladreyt.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries be requested to fix a salary for P. Morand, teacher of French in the Girls' High and Latin Schools, and for M. C. Ladreyt, teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School.

Passed.

Salary of J. F. Stein.

On motion of Mr. Flint, the name of J. F. Stein, teacher of German in the Roxbury, West Roxbury, Dorchester and Brighton High Schools, was included in the order.

Evening Schools; nominations of teachers.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated the following-named candidates as instructors in the evening schools designated.

Evening High School. — Israel A. Blair, assistant from Oct. 15.

Dorchester. — Alice M. Cushing, assistant, from Oct. 1.

Charlestown-Warren School. — Lydia E. Hapenny, assistant, from Nov. 19.

Anderson Street. — Mattie F. Wright, Mary E. Symonds, Sarah E. Stumpf, assistants, from Oct. 4, 18, and 30, respectively.

Hudson Street. — C. J. Finneran, assistant, from Oct. 1.

Jamaica Plain. — Eva M. Nay, assistant, from Oct. 31, in place of Carrie H. Summers, found to be ineligible.

Confirmed.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, for the committee on the Sixth Division, offered the following: —

Ordered, That Mary E. Graves, third assistant in the Gaston School, be placed on the third year's salary, in consequence of ten years' previous service in teaching advanced classes in Grammar Schools. Mary E. Graves; salary of.

Withdrawn.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on Accounts, reported a change in the janitorship of the Thornton-st. Primary School, by the removal of Delia Leach, the present incumbent. Thornton-st. School; change of janitor.

Accepted.

Mr. Hutchins, for the joint committee appointed to consider that portion of the Superintendent's report relating to supernumerary teachers and substitutes, reported that, in their judgment, it is very important that better facilities be provided for the supply of substitutes and temporary teachers, and they recommend that immediate measures be taken to remedy the present difficulties by the passage of the following orders: — Supernumerary teachers and substitutes; report of joint committee.

Ordered, That the Secretary be instructed to revise the list of substitutes and temporary teachers now available as candidates, and cause the same to be printed.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be instructed to obtain, once in each month, information regarding the success of substitutes in the several schools, such infor-

mation to be accessible only to the principals and to the members of the Board.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Normal School be authorized to assign candidates who are normal graduates to schools for practice, without expense to the city.

Ordered, That the principal of the Normal School be instructed, under the direction of the Committee on the Normal School, to make the necessary arrangements for promptly furnishing substitutes for the Grammar and Primary Schools, from the Normal graduates.

Ordered, That the Board of Supervisors be directed to make the necessary arrangements for promptly furnishing substitutes for all the grades of schools, from the list of eligible candidates not Normal graduates, on such a basis as shall, as far as practicable, give the preference to the most meritorious candidates.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following: —

Normal School graduates as substitutes; report on.

Ordered, That principals, in whose schools graduates of the Boston Normal School are employed as substitutes, be instructed to report to the head-master of the Normal School, at the close of each month, the name and success of such substitute; and that the Secretary of the Board furnish blanks for the same.

Passed.

Mr. Perkins offered the following: —

Changes in boundary lines; Phillips and Eliot Districts.

Ordered, That certain changes in the present boundary lines between the Phillips and Eliot Districts, recommended in the paper, and marked upon the map herewith submitted, be made as soon as possible.

Read, and referred to the Committee on School Houses.

Additional teacher in Bennett School.

Mr. Winship, for the Eighth Division Committee, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Supervisors be instructed to report,

at the next meeting of the Board, whether, in their opinion, the proper grading of the Bennett School requires an additional teacher, as permitted by Sect. 226 of the Rules and Regulations.

Passed.

Petition for Evening Drawing School, Ward 25.

Mr. Winship presented a petition signed by thirty-three residents of Ward 25, praying for the establishment of an evening Drawing School in that locality.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Drawing.

Grace Wasgatt; resignation of.

Mr. Plummer, for the First Division Committee, reported the resignation of Grace Wasgatt, fourth assistant in the Adams District, to take effect Dec. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Chapin it was

Division Committees to continue classes.

Voted, That the order passed Nov. 13, authorizing division committees to continue Grammar classes, the regular teachers of which have resigned or left their positions, be continued until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Alterations in Brimmer School; committee to investigate.

Whereas, Certain alterations have been made in the Brimmer School-house, at an estimated cost of over one thousand dollars, without the approval, according to the Statutes of this State, of the School Committee, or of a sub-committee thereof, duly authorized to approve the same, —

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed to investigate and report by whose direction and for what reasons said alterations were made.

Passed, and the Chair appointed as the committee Messrs. Godfrey Morse, Palmer, and Hayes.

Latin School for girls.

Mr. W. P. Adams moved to reconsider the vote by which the order to establish a Latin School for girls was passed.

The motion to reconsider was lost by a vote of 12 to 3.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the reference of the follow-

Reference of orders to Com. on School-Houses amended.

ing orders to the Committee on School Houses, — Nov. 13, viz.: (1.) Ventilation of Rice School building; (2.) Ventilation of Silver-street Primary School; (3.) Lighting rooms used by the Normal School, — was amended by the addition of the words, "with full powers."

Adjournment.

Mr. Warren P. Adams moved that when the Board adjourn it be to Dec. 12.

Lost.

On motion of Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, it was

Leave of absence to E. E. Backup and to Clarabel E. Chapman.

Voted, That leave of absence, from Dec. 1, 1877, to April, 1878, be granted to Elizabeth E. Backup; and leave of absence until Jan. 1, 1878, be granted to Clarabel E. Chapman, fourth assistants in the Dearborn District.

On motion of Miss Peabody, for the Seventh Division Committee, it was

Records amended; appointment of teachers, Lowell District.

Voted, That the appointment of teachers in the Lowell District, made September 25, 1877, read September 3, instead of September 4.

Report Com. on School Houses: changes in boundary lines of Hillside, Lewis, and Lowell Districts.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, who were requested — Oct. 23 — to consider the expediency of making certain changes in the boundary lines of the Hillside, Lewis, and Lowell Districts, recommended the adoption of the following orders: —

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Lowell School District be amended by striking out, in the tenth line, the words, "thence both sides," and substituting therefor the words, "thence by the centre."

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Central and Hillside School Districts be amended by adding to the second line the word "street," and by striking out, in the third line, the words, "and Washington street, Egleston square."

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Gibson School District be amended to read as follows: — Gibson District.

"Beginning at the former boundary line between Boston and Dorchester on Quincy street; thence by the south side of Quincy street to Columbia street; thence across the fields to the junction of Green and Geneva streets; thence by the centre of Geneva street to Bowdoin street; thence by the brook in a south-easterly direction to a point west of the end of Charles street; thence to the Shawmut railroad; thence by the railroad to Ashmont street; thence by the centre of Ashmont street to Washington street; thence by the centre of Washington street (southerly direction) to a (new) street; thence by the centre of two (new) streets extending west and north-west to Madison street; thence by the east side of Madison street to the boundary line between Boston and West Roxbury; thence by said line to the junction of Blue Hill avenue and Central avenue; thence by the centre of Central avenue to the former boundary line between Boston and Dorchester; thence by said line to the point of beginning."

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Lewis School District be amended to read as follows: — Lewis District.

"Beginning on Warren street at Regent street, all the territory south-west of Regent street to Circuit street; all the territory west of the junction of Circuit and Regent streets and a straight line to the centre of Cedar street; thence by the centre of Cedar street to Highland street; thence by the centre of Highland street to Hawthorn street; thence by both sides of Hawthorn street and along the westerly side of Ellis and Thornton streets to Marcella street; thence by the easterly side of Marcella street to Washington street; thence by the centre of Washington street to School street; thence by the centre of School street to Walnut avenue; thence by the centre

of Walnut avenue to Seaver street; thence by the centre of Seaver street to Blue Hill avenue; thence by the centre of Blue Hill avenue to Central avenue; thence by the centre of Central avenue to the old Roxbury and Dorchester line; thence by said line, in a northerly direction, to Dudley street; thence by the centre of Dudley street to Mount Pleasant avenue; thence by the centre of Mount Pleasant avenue to Fairland street; thence by the centre of Fairland street to Winthrop street; thence by both sides of Winthrop street to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to the point of beginning.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board adjourned at twenty-five minutes after nine o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Dec. 11, 1877.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock; the Vice-President in the chair.

Present: all the members except the Mayor and Messrs. Wm. T. Adams and Ryan.

Reports of Com. on Nominations.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Adams District. — Harriet Sturtevant, third assistant.

Bennett District. — Anna Leach, second assistant, and Nellie A. Hoar, fourth assistant.

Hillside District. — Mary E. Very, second assistant, and Ida M. Metcalf, third assistant.

Lincoln District. — Henry H. Kimball, sub-master, Mary A. H. Fuller and Silence A. Hill, third assistants.

Minot District. — S. Maria Elliott, fourth assistant.

Rice District. — Mattie H. Jackson, third assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Eliot District. — Channing Folsom, usher, from Nov. 16, 1877.

Hancock District. — Mary L. Desmond, fourth assistant, from Dec. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Bunker Hill District. — C. W. Graves, third assistant, from Nov. 1, 1877.

Harvard District. — H. L. Todd, third assistant, from Oct. 24, 1877.

Rice District. — Ella C. Hutchins, third assistant, from Nov. 5, 1877.

Winthrop District. — Clara C. Dunn, third assistant, from Oct. 23, 1877.

Accepted.

Artemas Wiswall; change of rank.

Mr. Finney, for the same committee, reported that having considered the request of the Committee on the Eighth Division for the change of rank of Artemas Wiswall, principal of the Charles Sumner District, from the position of usher to that of sub-master, in accordance with Section 226 of the Rules and Regulations as amended May 8, 1877, the committee are of the opinion that such change should be made, to take effect Jan. 1, 1878.

Accepted, and the change confirmed.

Order of business.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board proceeded to the next order of business.

Reconsideration; res. of Olive M. Page.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the vote of the Board — Nov. 13 — accepting the resignation of Olive M. Page, was reconsidered.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Fourth Division Committee, asked leave to withdraw the resignation of Olive M. Page.

Granted.

The regular order of business was resumed.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the nomination on probation of Olive M. Page, third assistant in the Quincy District, to take effect Sept. 1, 1877. Report of Com. on Nominations; nomination of Olive M. Page.

Accepted.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Rules and Regulations, to whom was referred — Nov. 13 — an order providing for the appointment of head assistants in the Evening Drawing Schools, recommended the passage of the following order: — Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations; head assistants in Evening Drawing Schools.

Ordered, That Section 341 of the Regulations be amended by the addition of the following words: "In schools having an average attendance of one hundred or more pupils, the principal shall be a master. In schools having an average attendance of less than one hundred pupils, the principal shall be a head-assistant." Rules amended.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Examinations offered the following: — Report of Com. on Examinations; certificate to Amphion Gates.

Ordered, That, in consideration of long and faithful service in the Phillips School previous to January, 1876, Amphion Gates be granted a certificate of service of the second grade.

On motion of Mr. Thayer, the rules were suspended to admit the passage of the above order, the matter not having been referred to the Committee on Examinations. Rules suspended.

The order was passed, under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Chapin, for the Committee on School Houses, who were requested — Nov. 27, 1877 — to consider the expediency of making certain changes in the boundary lines of the Eliot and Phillips Districts, reported, recommending the passage of the following orders: — Report of Com. on School Houses; changes in boundary lines.

Eliot District.

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Eliot District be amended to read as follows: Beginning on the Lowell railroad at the water; thence by the railroad to Causeway street; thence by the centre of Causeway to Portland street; thence by both sides of Portland to Hanover street; thence by both sides of Hanover to Washington street; thence by the centre of Washington to State street; thence by the centre of State street to the water; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Phillips District.

Ordered, That the boundary lines of the Phillips District be amended to read as follows: Beginning on the Lowell railroad at the water; thence by the railroad to Causeway street; thence by the centre of Causeway to Portland street; thence by the rear of the west side of Portland to Hanover street; thence by the centre of Hanover to Washington street; thence by the centre of Washington to Court street; thence by the centre of Court to Tremont street; thence by the centre of Tremont to Beacon street; thence by the centre of Beacon to Charles street; thence by the centre of Charles to a point on a line of Byron street extended; thence by said line and centre of Byron to Brimmer street; thence by the centre of Brimmer to a passage-way immediately in the rear of estates fronting on Beacon street; thence in a southwesterly direction by said passage-way to the water; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

Evening Schools; nomination of teachers.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, reported, for nomination as assistant in the Anderson-street Evening School, the name of E. N. Smith, — term of service to commence Dec. 3, 1877.

Approved.

Report of Com. on Salaries.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, who were requested — Nov. 27, 1877 — to fix a salary for the teacher of French in the Girls' High and Latin Schools,

for the teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School, and for the teacher of German in the Brighton High School, reported, recommending the passage of the following orders: —

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of French in the Latin School be fixed at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum for five and one half hours per week of actual service.

Latin School; salary of teacher of French.

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of French in the West Roxbury High School be fixed at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum for six hours per week of actual service.

W. Rox. High School; salary of teacher of French.

Ordered, That the salary of the teacher of German in the Brighton High School be fixed at the rate of two hundred and seventy-five dollars per annum for three hours per week of actual service.

Brighton High School; salary of teacher of German.

Accepted, and the orders passed.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported the resignation of Olive M. Page, third assistant in the Quincy School, to take effect Nov. 16, 1877.

Resignation of Olive M. Page.

Accepted.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, reported the name of Annie M. Mitchell, as substitute, for longer than three months, in the Brimmer School.

Annie M. Mitchell; substitute.

Approved.

The Chair read the following communication: —

Com. from Board of Supervisors; additional teacher Bennett School.

IN BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,

Boston, Dec. 10, 1877.

The Board of Supervisors, who were requested to consider and report, whether in their opinion the proper grading of the Bennett School requires an additional teacher, as permitted by Sect. 226 of

the Rules and Regulations, have considered the subject and respectfully report that they are of the unanimous opinion that the *proper grading* of the Bennett School does not necessitate an additional teacher.

Attest.

GEORGE A. SMITH,
Secretary.

Accepted and placed on file.

Report of Com. on Eighth Division; petition from residents of Brighton.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on the Eighth Division, to whom was referred the petition of Chas. H. B. Breck, Joseph Bennett, W. P. Giddings, and one hundred and fifty-seven others, for the reinstatement of Miss Sanger and Miss Hoar to the positions formerly held by them in the Bennett School, reported that, at the annual election in June last, owing to a reduced number of pupils in the Bennett District, a reduction of teachers was necessary, and therefore it is inconsistent to grant the petition.

Accepted.

Temporary teacher of sewing.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, reported for nomination as temporary teacher of sewing in the Norcross School, the name of Harriet M. Mace, term of service to commence Oct. 12, 1877.

Accepted.

Petition from Joseph Bennett and others.

Mr. Winship presented a petition, signed by Joseph Bennett and ninety-four other citizens of Ward 25, praying for the establishment of an evening school in that locality.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Evening Schools.

Resignation of Mary A. Neill and Anne M. Prescott.

Mr. Warren P. Adams, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, reported the resignations of Mary A. Neill and Anne M. Prescott, third assistants in the Norcross School, to take effect Dec. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Com. on Sewing.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on Sewing, submitted

a report from that committee, which, on motion of Miss Peabody, was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed. [Document No. 28.]

List of teachers excused from attending drawing lessons.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, reported the following list of teachers as excused from attending drawing lessons 1877–1878 : —

E. F. Willett, Gaston District; H. F. Webster, Lyman District; Mary Heaton, Lyman District; Emma E. Towle, Comins District; S. O. Brickett, Bowdoin District; N. R. Wyman, Gaston District; E. M. Cudworth, Lyman District; Frances M. Lane, Prescott District; C. E. Wason, Bowdoin District.

Accepted.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following : —

Regulations Normal School; amendment proposed.

Ordered, That the Regulations be amended by adding the following to Sect. 277: "And no person who has attended this school for more than half a school year shall be allowed to return a second year without special permission from the committee in charge."

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Com. on Evening Schools.

On motion of Mr. Fletcher, the report of the Committee on Evening Schools was taken from the table and accepted.

Holiday for schools.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was unanimously

Voted, That the sessions of the public schools be suspended on Monday, Dec. 24.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, it was

Voted, That when this Board adjourn, it be to Dec. 26.

Resignation of Annie M. Heustis.

Mr. Perkins, for the Third Division Committee, reported the resignation of Annie M. Heustis, fourth assistant in the Bowdoin District, to take effect Dec 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Report. of Com. on Examinations; certificate to Ellen F. Jones.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on Examinations, offered the following: —

Ordered, That, in consideration of previous service in the public schools of the city, Ellen F. Jones be granted a temporary certificate of the fourth grade.

Passed.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the Board adjourned at fifteen minutes after eight o'clock.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Dec. 26, 1877.

A regular and adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at half-past seven o'clock; the President in the chair.

Present: all the members except Messrs. Warren P. Adams, Wm. T. Adams, Blake, Hayes, and Palmer.

On motion of Mr. G. Morse, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

Reports of Com. on Nominations.

Mr. Finney, for the Committee on Nominations, reported the following nominations: —

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Confirmation of teachers.

Normal School. — L. Theresa Moses, first assistant.

Latin School. — Joseph W. Chadwick, master; Frank W. Freeborn and John K. Richardson, sub-masters; William T. Strong and Egbert M. Chesley, ushers.

English High School. — H. Winslow Warren, sub-master.

Girls' High School. — S. Annie Shorey, third assistant.

Roxbury High School. — Emily Weeks, first assistant; Eliza D. Gardner and Helen A. Gardner, third assistants.

Charlestown High School. — Leroy F. Griffin, usher.

Bennett District. — Harriet M. Boit, third assistant.

Brimmer District. — Laura M. Stevens, fourth assistant.

Bunker Hill District. — Mary L. Caswell and Lydia A. Simpson, third assistants.

Charles Sumner District.— Fanny H. Wiswall, third assistant.

Everett District. — Persis E. King, second assistant; Flora I. Crooke, Mary E. Badlam and Sarah L. Adams, third assistants.

Franklin District. — Mary E. Josselyn, fourth assistant.

Gaston District. — Mary E. Graves, third assistant.

Gibson District. — Emma R. Gragg, third assistant.

Lawrence District. — Minnie F. Keenan, fourth assistant.

Lowell District. — Eliza C. Fisher, first assistant; E. Josephine Page, second assistant; Susan E. Chapman, third assistant, and Isabel Shove, fourth assistant.

Mather District. — Mary A. Lowe, third assistant.

Prescott District. — Emma C. Olmstead, fourth assistant.

Quincy District. — N. Hosea Whittemore, usher.

Sherwin District. — Lucy J. Mellen, third assistant, Louisa Ayer and Sarah E. Gould, fourth assistants.

Warren District. — Cora A. Wiley, fourth assistant.

Accepted, and the nominations were confirmed.

ON PROBATION.

Nomination of teachers.

Allston District. — Persis B. Swett, first assistant, and Georgie Palmer, third assistant, — from Dec. 27, 1877.

Bennett District. — Harriet M. Boit, third assistant, from Sept. 3, 1877.

Lewis District. — Amanda Pickering, third assistant, from Nov. 12, 1877.

Sherwin District. — Louise A. Kelley, fourth assistant, from Jan. 2, 1878.

Wells District. — Ella F. Inman, first assistant, with larger salary, and Mary G. Shaw, first assistant, — from Jan. 1, 1878.

Accepted.

FOR TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Temporary teachers.

Adams District. — Almira E. Reid, third assistant, from Dec. 3, 1877.

Dudley District (*Boys*).— Mary E. Watson, third assistant, from Sept. 3 to Oct. 12, 1877.

Dwight District. — Ida A. Merriam, fourth assistant, from Dec. 2, 1877.

Emerson District. — Ida E. Halliday, third assistant, from Oct. 25 to Nov. 1, 1877.

Lawrence District. — Mary E. T. Shine, fourth assistant, from Sept. 15 to Dec. 14, 1877.

Warren District. — Carrie M. Small, fourth assistant, from Nov. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Resignation of Abby J. Boutwell.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on the Third Division, reported the resignation of Abby J. Boutwell, first assistant in the Wells District, to take effect December 31, 1877.

Accepted.

On motion of Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, it was

Leave of absence to Evelyn E. Plummer.

Voted, That leave of absence for six months from Dec. 1, 1877, be granted to Evelyn E. Plummer, fourth assistant in the Phillips District.

Resignation of Harriet E. Marcy and Josephine F. Krogman.

Mr. Thayer, for the Committee on the Sixth Division, reported the resignation of Harriet E. Marcy, first assistant in the Gaston District, to take effect Dec. 3, 1877; and of Josephine F. Krogman, fourth assistant in the Gaston District, to take effect Dec. 1, 1877.

Accepted.

Report of Com. on Drawing; petition for evening drawing school in Ward 25.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, to whom was referred — Nov. 27, 1877 — a petition from residents of Ward 25, praying for the establishment of an evening Drawing School in that locality, reported that, on account of the lateness of the season, and the small number of its signers, they do not consider it expedient to establish a school during the present term.

Read and accepted.

Resignation of Martha A. Pope.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported the resignation of Martha A. Pope, fourth assistant in the Sherwin District, to take effect Jan. 1, 1878.

Accepted.

Resignation of Fanny L. Rogers.

Miss Peabody, for the Committee on the Seventh Division, reported the resignation of Fanny L. Rogers, third assistant in the Lowell District, to take effect Jan. 2, 1878.

Accepted.

Abby S. Oliver and Florence I. Drake, substitutes.

Miss Peabody, for the same committee, reported Abby S. Oliver, in the Dearborn District, and Florence I. Drake, in the Dudley (Boys) District, as substitutes for longer than one month.

Approved.

Resignation of Amanda Snow.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on the Fourth Division, reported the resignation of Amanda Snow, third assistant in the Brimmer District, to take effect Jan. 1, 1878.

Accepted.

Reports of Com. on Salaries; salary of Ellen L. Collins.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred — June 26, 1877 — the petition of Ellen L. Collins, third assistant in the Bowditch District, for the payment of salary while absent from school on account of an injury accidentally received from one of her

pupils, reported that it be referred to the next Board of School Committee.

Read, accepted, and the petition so referred.

Salary of Artemas Wiswall and Abner J. Nutter.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the same committee, to whom was referred — Oct. 9, 1877 — the order for granting the $200 extra salary allowed to ushers and sub-masters acting as principals, to Artemas Wiswall, principal of the Charles Sumner School, and Abner J. Nutter, of the Mt. Vernon School, for the year ending Sept. 1, 1876, reported that it is inexpedient that the order should pass.

Read and accepted.

Evening Schools; nominations of teachers.

Mr. Fletcher, for the Committee on Evening Schools, nominated Larrey G. Beck as principal of the Jamaica Plain Evening School, from Dec. 21, 1877; and Emma F. Colomy, as assistant in the Hudson-street Evening School.

Approved.

Report of Special Com. on investigating alterations of Brimmer School.

Mr. Godfrey Morse, for the Special Committee, appointed Nov. 27, 1877, to investigate and report by whose direction and for what reasons certain alterations were made in the Brimmer school-house, reported: —

That they find said alterations were made by order of the City Council, on recommendation of the Committee on Public Instruction. See Exhibit A.

The Committee on Public Instruction, through their chairman, have informed your committee that their attention to the condition of the school-house was called by the Inspector of Public Buildings, and said committee felt that the safety of the pupils and of the building required a change to be made in the heating apparatus.

In making the said alterations, which consisted in taking out the furnaces and putting in steam-heating apparatus, no communication was had by the Committee on Public Instruction or by the Superintendent of Public Buildings

with any of the School Committee, or its officers; and as the order originally offered in the City Council contemplated an expense of over $1,000, its passage was, in the opinion of this committee, contrary to the Statutes of the Commonwealth. (See section 6, chapter 241, Acts and Resolves, Mass., 1875.)

While your committee believes that the change in the heating apparatus of the Brimmer School was made with a view to render the building more secure against any accident by fire, they also believe that the law of the State bearing on questions like the one under consideration is a wise one, and ought to be observed by all the departments of the City Government.

EXHIBIT A.

COMMON COUNCIL, June 28, 1877.

Repairs on Brimmer School-house.

Mr. Coe, of Ward 23, offered an order, That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to furnish the Brimmer School Building with new steam-heating apparatus, with fire-proof room for the same, and to cause the hooks used for hanging clothing in the entries to be removed; the expense, not exceeding $7,500, to be charged to the appropriation for School-houses, Public Buildings. Mr. Coe stated that the repairs were not extensive, and time is not so much of an object; and on his motion the order was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Buildings. Sent up.

Read and accepted.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, offered the following: —

Regulations Evening Drawing Schools: amendment proposed.

Ordered, That Section 338 of the Rules and Regulations be amended by inserting these words, "the evenings of legal holidays excepted," after the word "week" at the end of the first sentence.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Winship, for the Committee on Sewing, presented the following table, for the pay of substitutes for sewing teachers: — Pay of substitutes for sewing teachers.

Divisions.	No. of weeks.	No. of hours.	Yearly pay.	Pay of regular Sewing Teacher per hour.	Regular Teachers per week.	Substitutes, pay per hour.	Pay per week.
3	40	240	$275.00	$1.14	$6.78	60c.	$3.50
4	40	320	350.00	1.09	8.72	55	4.50
5	40	400	425.00	1.06	10.60	55	5.50
6	40	480	500.00	1.04	12.48	55	6.50
7	40	560	550.00	.98	13.72	50	7.00
8	40	640	600.00	.93	14.88	50	8.00
9	40	720	650.00	.90	16.20	45	8.00
10	40	800	700.00	.87	17.40	45	9.00
11	40	880	750.00	.85	18.70	45	10.00

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

The Chair read a petition, signed by E. Worthen James and twenty-six others, asking that all the schools may be granted the same privilege as the Newbury-street school, viz., one session of four hours a day. Petition of E. Worthen James and others.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the petition was referred to the next School Board.

Mr. Learnard offered the following: —

Ordered, That there be allowed and paid to Hobart Moore, instructor in military drill, for transportation, a sum not exceeding one dollar a day for each day of service, in the High Schools, rendered to the city. Hobart Moore; sum allowed for transportation.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the rules were suspended to admit the passage of the above order.

Miss May moved that it be laid on the table, and that the Committee on High Schools be requested to arrange the hours of study in such a manner as to render the passage of the order unnecessary.

Lost, 8 to 9.

The order then passed, under a suspension of the rules, by a vote of 9 to 8, the Chair voting in the affirmative.

Reconsideration petition for evening Drawing School, Ward 25.

On motion of Mr. Winship, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Drawing on the petition for an evening Drawing School in Ward 25 was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Winship, the petition was referred to the next School Board.

On motion of Mr Flint, it was

High Schools, uniform course of study.

Voted, That the Committee on High Schools be requested to report in print the uniform three years' course of studies for High Schools, with notes and suggestions for the use of teachers.

Reconsideration regulations Schools for Licensed Minors.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the vote accepting the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, — Nov. 27, 1877, — amending the regulations of the Schools for Licensed Minors, was reconsidered.

Mr. Learnard offered the following as a substitute: —

"Each school shall be under the charge of the principal of the Grammar School District for boys in which it is located, subject to the general supervision of the Committee on Licensed Minors."

Miss May offered the following as an amendment: —

Rules amended.

"And shall be under the general supervision of the Committee on Licensed Minors, and in charge of such principals of the districts in which they are severally situated as that committee shall direct."

Miss May's amendment was accepted by Mr. Learnard, and the regulations as amended were adopted.

Mr. Hutchins, for the Committee on the Normal School, submitted the following: —

No. of teachers attending Saturday lectures.

Number of teachers who have signified their desire to attend the several familiar Saturday lectures: —

Physics	By Mr. Jones . .	150
Penmanship	By Mr. Webster . .	175
Physiology	By Mr. Metcalf . .	220
Psychology	By Mr. Dunton . .	225
Illustrative Drawing . .	By Miss Hintz . .	275
History	By Mr. Page . . .	300
Geography	By Mr. Clark . .	350
Reading	By Mr. Marble . .	375
		2,070

Read, and accepted.

Mr. Hutchins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Salary of Annie E. Chace.

Ordered, That the salary of Annie E. Chace, as fourth assistant in the Girls' High School, for the month of September, be paid.

Read, and referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Services of Director of Drawing.

Mr. Godfrey Morse called the attention of the Board to the order adopted Oct. 9, 1877, page 160, of the Minutes, in relation to the work performed by the Supervisor of Drawing, and asked that some explanation be given for the apparent neglect of the instruction contained in the order.

Mr. Perkins, for the Committee on Drawing, stated that he had several times attempted to make the report in question, but more important matters had engaged his attention.

Report of Com.

He asked leave to submit the following as the report of

on Drawing, services of Director of Drawing.

the committee, quoting at the same time several passages from a private letter of the Supervisor of Drawing: —

The Director of Drawing was appointed by the School Committee, in 1871, to be the organizer of a progressive system of drawing, suitable to the capacities of pupils in all grades of the public schools; to instruct the special teachers of drawing, and the regular teachers of the schools, in those branches of the subject which come under the description of Industrial Drawing, and to supervise its introduction into the schools.

He was first called the Normal Art Instructor, afterwards the General Supervisor of Drawing, and now, since the revision of the Regulations by the present School Board, the Director of Drawing.

He is under the control of the Special Committee on Drawing, whose professional referee he is, carrying out the resolutions of the committee into practical execution.

As Director of Drawing, he has organized, and now directs, the scheme of instruction in use for all the grades of the public schools; he gives instruction to the school teachers in the subjects in which they are examined and must pass before receiving the diploma of competency to teach drawing, and also instructs the pupils of the Normal School.

He prepares the examination papers for the semi-annual examinations of the Normal, High, and Grammar Schools, the Teachers' Normal and Free Industrial evening classes; examines the exercises when worked (assisted only in the Grammar Schools by the Special Instructors in Drawing), and makes a return of the results to the Drawing Committee, examining every pupil in the Normal, High, and Free Industrial evening schools, and teachers' classes, in five branches of drawing, and giving the standing of each individual by name; and the results of every Grammar School class, in five branches of drawing, by numbers, passing the examination under the headings of Excellent, Passed, and Failure.

Through his direction, supervision, and examination, assisted by the special supervisors of the classes, the Drawing Committee know the condition of drawing in every class-room of the Grammar, High, Normal, Teachers' Normal, and Free Industrial evening classes, by the test of exercises worked in each, and are thus enabled to control the work in all departments of every section in the city.

The work of the Director of Drawing is similar, for one subject, to that performed by the Board of Supervisors in the remaining subjects taught in the schools. They are not required to teach in the schools, but to organize, examine, and report, whilst he does the same for

Drawing, and gives Normal instruction in addition, — both to the teachers and to the students of the Normal School.

The number of hours of instruction per week given by him depends upon whether the Teachers' Normal classes are in session or not, though the Normal School requires a weekly attendance of two hours.

The Drawing Committee have required the Director of Drawing to make a return of the time spent by him in the service of the committee, and after a close calculation of his work since his engagement, it would appear that he devotes an average of at least six hours per day to his work in the city's service, — sometimes more and sometimes less, as the work of supervision and examination requires.

At the present time the Director of Drawing gives personal instruction at the Normal School on Saturday mornings, to city school teachers, in geometry and perspective, from 10 to 11½, and on Wednesday evenings, at the Tennyson-street school, in the same branches, from 7 to 8½.

Until last year, since the appointment of Mr. Smith as Director of Drawing, annual exhibitions of drawings from the public schools were held in this city conjointly with the State exhibition. These exhibitions were always managed by the Director of Drawing, as coming within the range of his duties, and it is to their excellent organization that their great success is mainly due.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the report was ordered to be placed on file.

Mr. Perkins, for the same committee, offered the following: —

Evening Drawing Schools; salaries of masters and head-assistants.

Ordered, That as at the meeting of the Board, Dec. 11th, an order was passed, by which Section 341 of the Regulations was so amended as to entitle the Free Evening Drawing Schools having an average attendance of 100 or more pupils, to a master, and those having less, to a head-assistant, their salaries to be fixed at $10 per evening for the first, and $6 per evening for the second.

Mr. Perkins moved that the rules be suspended to admit of the passage of the order.

Passed, 11 to 3.

Mr. Godfrey Morse moved that the order be laid on the table.

Lost, 5 to 11.

Mr. James Morse moved the previous question.

Passed.

The order then passed, 11 to 7.

Annie M. Mitchell and Abbie H. Babson; substitutes.

Mr. Learnard, for the Committee on the Fifth Division, reported that Annie M. Mitchell in the Sherwin District and Abbie H. Babson in the Everett District have been employed as substitutes for a longer time than one month.

Approved.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Unfinished business referred to next Board.

Ordered, That all unfinished business at the close of this meeting, including any business in charge of committees, or upon the table, be referred to the next School Board.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, the order was laid on the table.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations on Com. on Supplies.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, School Document No. 26, Report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations on a Committee on Supplies, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Chapin, the report was accepted.

Mr. Chapin moved that the orders be considered separately.

On motion of Mr. Learnard, the subject was referred to the next School Board.

Lists of text-books, etc , for Prim., Gram., High, Latin, and Normal Schools.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, School Document No. 24, containing lists of text-books for Primary, Grammar, High, Latin, and Normal Schools, with the reference books and philosophical apparatus for Grammar Schools, and the revised list of reference books for High and Latin Schools, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the list was amended so

as to include only the text-books of the Primary, Grammar, High, Latin, and Normal Schools.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was

Voted, That Document No. 24, containing lists of text-books for Primary, Grammar, High, Latin, and Normal Schools be the only authorized lists for the several schools until otherwise ordered. Authorized lists.

Mr. Godfrey Morse offered the following: —

Ordered, That the regular meeting of the Board, Jan. 8, 1878, be dispensed with. Meeting of Board, Jan. 8, 1878.

The order was passed under a suspension of the rules. Unfinished business referred to next Board.

On motion of Mr. Godfrey Morse, the order that all unfinished business, etc., be referred to the next School Board, was taken from the table, and passed.

Mr. Finney offered the following: —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to His Honor Frederick O. Prince for the able, dignified, and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of President, and for the interest he has shown during his official connection with the Board in all questions pertaining to the welfare of the public schools. Thanks to Frederick O. Prince.

Passed unanimously by a rising vote.

The President responded at length, thanking the members for their kind coöperation during the year.

Mr. Hutchins offered the following: —

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be tendered to Hon. William H. Learnard, Jr., for his faithfulness and impartiality, during the past year, as Vice-President, and for his uniform courtesy and kindness to the members of the Board. Thanks to Wm. H. Learnard, Jr.

Passed unanimously by a rising vote.

The Vice-President appropriately responded.

On motion of Mr. Finney, School Document No. 25, Report Com. on Drawing.

Report of the Committee on Drawing, was taken from the table and accepted.

Report Com. on Sewing.

On motion of Mr. Finney, School Document No. 28, Report of the Committee on Sewing, was taken from the table and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Finney, the Board adjourned at five minutes before ten o'clock, *sine die*.

Attest:

GEO. A. SMITH,
Secretary.

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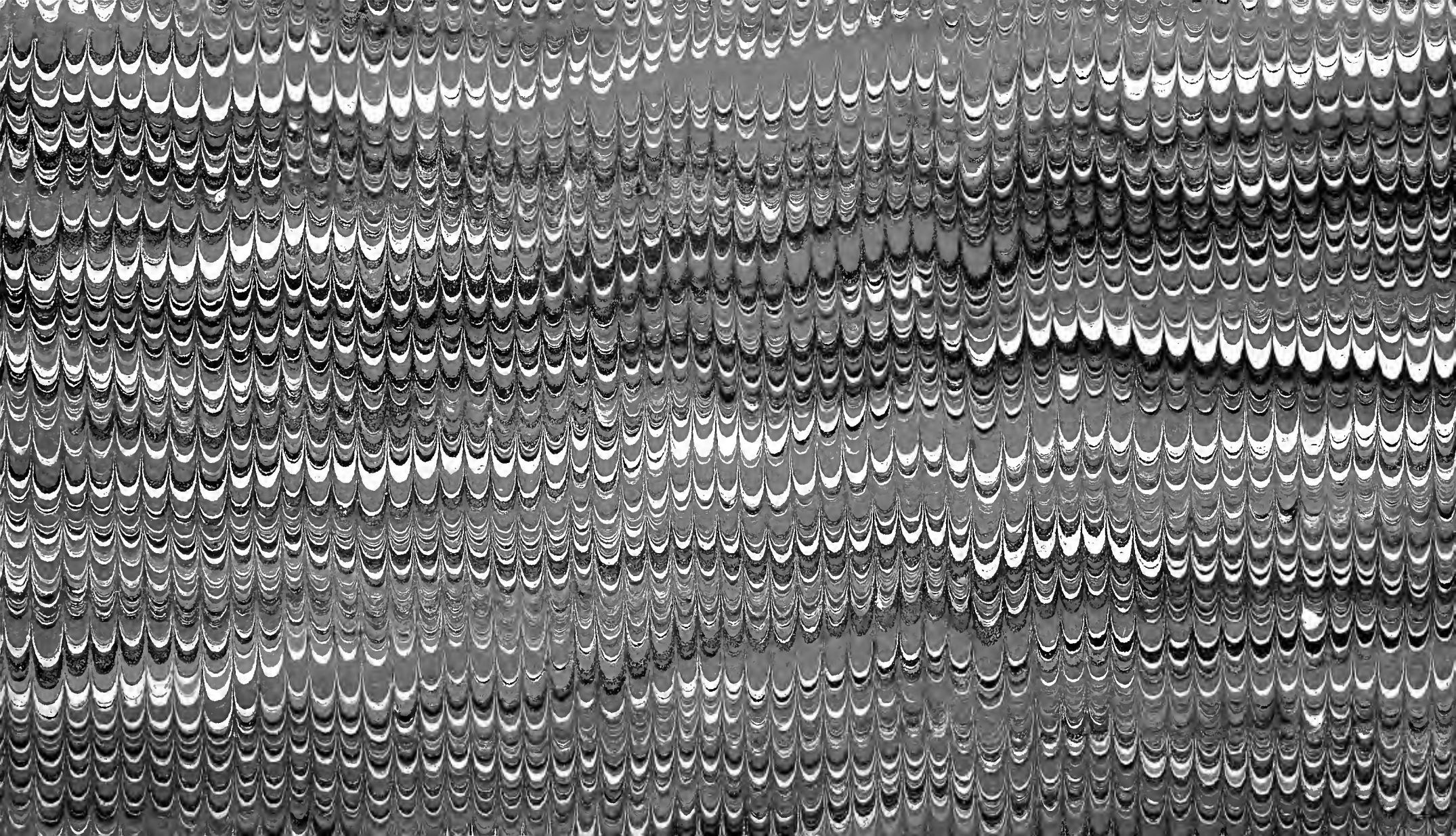
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